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TOWN OFFICE NUMBERS

Town Clerk	922-5598
Tax Collector	922-5546
Selectmen's Office	922-5533
Police Department	922-3821

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1998 TOWN OFFICERS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

1999 Elizabeth Macdonald	2000 Lewis Ruch (Resigned)	2001 Timothy Brooks
	1999 Vicki DeLalla	

TOWN CLERK	DEPUTY TOWN CLERK	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
2000 Rose Bernard	1998 Nancy Marier	Frances Hawley

TREASURER	TAX COLLECTOR	DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR
2000 Charlotte Blodgett	1999 Nancy Marier	Frances Hawley

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

1999 Ronald Connary	2000 Linda Renaud	2001 Wilson McMann
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MODERATOR

2000 Stephen LaFrance

SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST

2000 Virginia Routhier	2002 Patricia Stinson	2004 G. Sharon White
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BALLOT CLERKS

Bernice LaFeuille	Rhonda Smith	Lorraine Goulet	Frances Ruch
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PLANNING BOARD

1999 Wilson McMann, Chmn	2000 Thomas Allin	2001 Robert Willis
1999 Charles Goulet	2000 Scott Mason	2001 Gary Paquette, Alt.
1999 Ronald Scott	2000 Lewis Ruch (Resigned)	2001 Timothy Brooks, Alt.
1999 Daniel Smith, Sec. Alt.	2000 Stephen LaFrance, Alt.	
1999 Elizabeth Macdonald, Selectman		

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

1999 Edna Fuller	2000 Bruce Blodgett	2001 William Zanes
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LIBRARY TRUSTEES

1999 Claire Martineau	2000 Sonya Zanes	2001 Dana Cassell
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LIBRARIANS

Pamela Knauss	Margaret Cook	Frances Ruch
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CHIEF OF POLICE

Timothy Gould

FIRE CHIEFS

Michael Bennett	Lawrence Curley
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HEALTH OFFICER

Carlton Harris

FIRE WARDEN

Michael Bennett

DOG OFFICER

David Gaudette

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Vicki DeLalla	Daisy Goodman	Charles Goulet
	Virginia Routhier	

WASTEWATER TREATMENT OPERATOR
Debra Smith

RECYCLING OPERATOR
Sonya Zanes

MUNICIPAL WATER OPERATOR
Carlton Harris

ROAD AGENT

Lawrence Hook (Resigned)

ROAD MAINTENANCE CONTRACTOR
Bernard Walling

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

TOWN OF STRATFORD

1999 TOWN MEETING WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Stratford in the County of Coos qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall on Tuesday, March 9, 1999 at 10:00 A.M. to act on Articles 1 through 27.

The polls will open at 10:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M.

ARTICLE 1. To choose by non-partisan ballot the following Town Officers:

One Selectman for Three Years
One Selectman for One Year
One Tax Collector for Three Years
One Trustee of Trust Funds for Three Years
One Cemetery Trustee for Three Years
One Library Trustee for Three Years

ARTICLE 2. Shall we place a question on the State election ballot to change polling hours so that the polls shall open at 10:00 A.M.?

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 461,992.00 for the operating budget, and if not, to see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray Town charges for the ensuing year.

Board recommends appropriation.

ARTICLE 4. Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the town of Stratford, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$10,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$20,000; for a person 80 years of age or older, \$40,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$13,400 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$20,400; and own net assets not in excess of \$35,000 excluding the value of the person's residence.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to dispose of tax deeded property, either by public auction, advertised sealed bids, or as justice may require, under the provisions of RSA 80:80. Such authority shall continue in effect until rescinded.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 to refurbish some of the Town Record Books. Board recommends appropriation.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will give the selectmen permission to enter into a three year contract for summer and winter highway maintenance at a whole cost for the three years, and to raise and appropriate the one year cost for the first year in the 1999 annual budget with the cost for the second and third years raised and appropriated in the annual budget for each of those years.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,500 to reconstruct the basketball court at the Memorial Common in Stratford Hollow. Board recommends appropriation.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,000 to purchase property abutting Fuller Town Hall, consisting of land and buildings of the former Shell station. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the purchase is completed or by December 31, 2001, whichever is sooner. Board recommends appropriation.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum \$25,000 for renovation and repair of town buildings. Board recommends appropriation.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be placed in the previously established Stump Dump Capital Reserve Fund. Board recommends appropriation.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to be placed in the previously established Stratford Fire Departments Capital Reserve Fund. Board recommends appropriation.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be placed in the previously established Highways and Bridges Capital Reserve Fund. Board recommends appropriation.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of restoration of the Grand Trunk Railroad Station for a community meeting center/library and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be placed in this fund.

Board recommends appropriation.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be placed in the previously established Stratford Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund.

Board recommends appropriation.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,988, plus any unpaid charges and fees for services to residents and nonresidents from Stratford who are transferred by Northumberland Ambulance Service, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sign and agree to the terms and conditions of the Ambulance Service Contract.

Board does not recommend.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for the Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital to help defray the costs of providing emergency services.

Board recommends appropriation.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500 for the Upper Connecticut Valley Home Health services. Board recommends appropriation.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$775 for the support and services of Upper Connecticut Valley Mental Health Service, and \$225 for the support and services of Vershire Center.

Board recommends appropriation.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,625 for the support of Tri-County Community Action Program. Board recommends appropriation.

ARTICLE 21. By Petition: "To see if the Town of Stratford will appropriate \$1,000 in good faith to the Stratford Public School toward the purchase of athletic uniforms."

Board recommends appropriation.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300 and authorize donations of \$50 per organization not school sponsored, if requested, in support of the athletic teams within the Town.

Board recommends appropriation.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 towards promoting economic development through Sta-North. Board recommends appropriation.

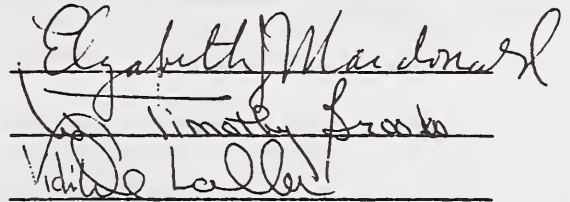
ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300 to support the Great North Woods Region Association in their efforts to promote the Great North Woods region. Board recommends appropriation.

ARTICLE 25. By Petition: "To see if the Town will direct the Selectmen to conduct their own revaluation of the Town in lieu of the use of the revaluation done in 1998 by Cartographic Associates, Inc./Nyberg, Purvis & Associates, L.L.C. Municipal Appraisers and Consultants."

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to dispose of equipment, office or other, no longer in service, whether such equipment was obtained through grant funding or other sources, effective until rescinded.

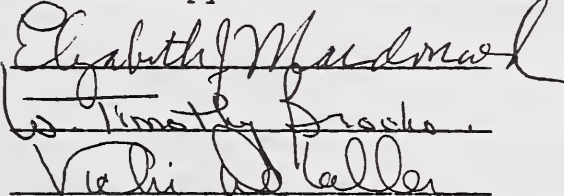
ARTICLE 27. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting, and to hear reports from any agents or committees heretofore chosen.

Given under our hands and seal this 22nd day of February, 1999.



Board of Selectmen
Town of Stratford

A True Copy of Warrant Attest:



Board of Selectmen
Town of Stratford

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397



BUDGET OF THE TOWN/CITY

OF: STRATFORD

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1999 to December 31, 1999

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the above address.

DATE: _____

GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

Please sign in ink.

Elizabeth J. MacDonald
to Timothy Brooks
Vicki DeLaller

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
ACCT. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	HARR. ART. #	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (RECOMMENDED)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive	3	55,000	54,070	55,660	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics	3	4,000	2,984	2,000	
4150-4151	Financial Administration	3	5,600	5,400	6,200	
4152	Revaluation of Property	3	- 0 -	38,619	- 0 -	
4153	Legal Expense	3	3,000	730	3,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	3	11,000	10,353	11,000	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	3	1,500	557	1,000	
4194	General Government Buildings	3	17,000	11,967	17,000	
4195	Cemeteries	3	4,500	3,076	4,500	
4196	Insurance	3	11,000	13,766	15,000	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	3	600	600	628	
4199	Other General Government					
PUBLIC SAFETY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police	3	5,000	34,092	35,000	
4215-4219	Ambulance	3	500	387	500	
4220-4229	Fire	3	36,000	30,836	32,500	
4240-4249	Building Inspection					
4290-4298	Emergency Management	3	500	- 0 -	- 0 -	
4299	Other (Including Communications)					
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations					
HIGHWAYS & STREETS			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration					
4312	Highways & Streets	3	70,000	58,869	76,205	
4313	Bridges					
4316	Street Lighting	3	15,000	13,463	14,000	
4319	Other					
SANITATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration					
4323	Solid Waste Collection	3	85,500	74,989	85,000	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal					
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up					

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (RECOMMENDED)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
SANITATION cont.						
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other	3	30,000	24,310	30,000	
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT						
4331	Administration					
4332	Water Services	3	43,786	20,780	30,483	
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other					
ELECTRIC						
4351-4352	Acq'n. and Generation					
4353	Purchase Costs					
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance					
4359	Other Electric Costs					
HEALTH						
4411	Administration	3	1,500	1,262	1,450	
4414	Pest Control					
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other					
WELFARE						
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.	3	5,000	2,452	5,000	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts					
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other					
CULTURE & RECREATION						
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	3	4,500	2,814	4,000	
4550-4559	Library	3	3,500	2,995	3,500	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	3	1,250	512	1,000	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation				500	
CONSERVATION						
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources					
4619	Other Conservation	3	1,000	563	1,000	
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMNT & HOUSING					
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
DEBT SERVICE						
4711	Princ. - Long Term Bonds & Notes	3	5,779	5,288	6,301	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	3	14,087	14,578	13,565	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes	3	6,000	4,129	6,000	

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS			Appropriations	Actual	APPROPRIATIONS	APPROPRIATIONS
Acct.#	(RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART.#	Prior Year As approved by DRA	Expenditures Prior Year	ENSUING FY (RECOMMENDED)	ENSUING FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)

DEBT SERVICE cont.			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4790-4799	Other Debt Service					
CAPITAL OUTLAY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land					
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment					
4903	Buildings					
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.					
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund					
4913	To Capital Projects Fund					
4914	To Enterprise Fund					
	Sewer-					
	Water-					
	Electric-					
	Airport-					
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund					
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917					
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds					
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds					
4919	To Agency Funds					
SUBTOTAL 1			442,102	434,441	461,992	

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount	Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount

"SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES"

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3,VI, as appropriations 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (RECOMMENDED)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
4903	L/B Shell Station	9			22,000	
4915	CRF Stump dump	11	5,000	5,000	5,000	
4915	CRF Fire Depts	12	4,000	4,000	4,000	
4915	CRF Ambulance	15	5,000	5,000	5,000	
4915	CRF H & B	13	25,000	25,000	25,000	
4915	CRF GT Train Sta.	14	= 0 =	- 0 -	20,000	
4589	Spec. Recreation	22	300	300	300	
	SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX

"INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES"

Individual warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Individual warrant articles might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (RECOMMENDED)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
4140	Record Books	6	3,000	3,000	3,000	
4589	Basketball Court	8	- 0 -	- 0 -	8,500	
4194	Repair Town Bldgs	10	- 0 -	- 0 -	25,000	
4415	Northumberland Amb	16	- 0 -	- 0 -	- 0 -	5,988
4415	UCV Hospital	17	1,000	1,000	1,000	
4415	UCV Home Health	18	3,500	3,500	3,500	
4415	UCV Mental Health	19	1,000	1,000	1,000	
4415	Tri-County CAP	20	1,575	1,575	1,625	
4197	Sta North	23	500	500	500	
4197	Grt North Woods	24	300	300	300	
4589	Athletic Uniforms	21	- 0 -	- 0 -	1,000	
	SUBTOTAL 5 RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	45,525	XXXXXXXXXX

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Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUES ENSUING YEAR
TAXES					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes				
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		75,000	92,734	75,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		20,000	26,263	23,000
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes				
	Inventory Penalties				
	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)				
	Excavation Activity Tax				300
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		1,000		1,000
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		58,000	72,111	58,000
3230	Building Permits				
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		2,000	3,985	2,000
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT				
FROM STATE					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		36,933	36,933	36,933
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		10,400	14,425	14,500
3353	Highway Block Grant		18,203	18,203	18,000
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		20,000	27,862	25,000
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		2,800	4,088	4,000
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		313,000	314,946	- 0 -
CHARGES FOR SERVICES					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		3,000	3,837	3,000
3409	Other Charges		1,500	1,345	2,000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		500	1,896	1,000
3502	Interest on Investments		1,000	1,149	1,500
3503-3509	Other		6,500	15,852	500

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Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUES ENSUING YEAR

INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		3,000	3,973	3,390
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)		30,000	29,808	30,000
	Water - (Offset)		43,786	40,932	30,483
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		29,000	29,000	
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
Amts VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")					
Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes			65,000	68,000	65,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			740,622	807,342	394,606

“BUDGET SUMMARY”

SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	461,992
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	81,300
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	45,425
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	588,717
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above, column 6)	394,606
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	185,611

1998 Taxes Assessed & Tax Rate

Purpose of Appropriation:

4130	Executive.....	\$ 55,000.
4140	Election, Registration & Vitals.....	7,000.
4150	Financial Administration.....	5,600.
4153	Legal Expense.....	3,000.
4155	Personnel Administration.....	11,000.
4191	Planning & Zoning.....	1,500.
4194	General Government Buildings.....	17,000.
4195	Cemeteries.....	4,500.
4196	Insurance.....	11,000.
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.....	600.
	Article # 29 Sta-North.....	500.
	Article # 30 Great North Woods.....	300.

Public Safety:

4210	Police.....	35,000.
4215	Ambulance.....	500.
4220	Fire.....	36,000.
4290	Emergency Management.....	500.
4312	Highways & Streets.....	70,000.
4316	Street Lighting.....	15,000.

Sanitation:

4321	Solid Waste Collection.....	86,427
4326	Sewage Collection & Disposal.....	30,000
4331	Water Distribution & Treatment.....	43,786.

Health:

4411	Administration.....	1,500.
4415	Health Agencies: Articles 24, 25, 26, 27.....	7,075.

Welfare:

4441	Direct Assistance.....	5,000.
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Culture & Recreation:

4520	Parks & Recreation.....	4,500.
4550	Libraries.....	3,500.
4583	Patriotic Purposes.....	1,250.
4589	Other Culture & Recreation.....	
	Article #15 225th Celebration.....	6,000.
	Article #28 Team Donations.....	300.

Conservation:	
4619 Forester.....	1,000.
Debt Service:	
4711 Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes.....	5,779.
4721 Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes....	14,087.
4723 Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes..	6,000.
Capital Outlay:	
4902 Equipment - Article #17 Tractor.....	10,000.
4916 To Capital Reserve Funds.....	
Articles 13, 18, 20, 22.....	39,000.
Article 4 Bog Brook Bridge.....	342,000.
<u>REVENUES:</u>	
3185 Timber Tax.....	75,000.
3190 Interest on Delinquent Taxes.....	23,000.
3210 Business Licenses & Permits.....	1,000.
3220 Motor Vehicle Permit Fees.....	58,000.
3290 Other Licenses, Permits & Fees.....	2,000.
From State:	
3351 Shared Revenues.....	36,933.
3352 Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution.....	14,425.
3353 Highway Block Grant.....	18,203.
3354 Water Pollution Grant.....	3,973.
3356 State & Federal Forest Land Reimb...	27,861.
3359 Railroad Tax.....	2,900.
3379 Bridge Reimbursement.....	313,000.
Charges for Services:	
3401 Income from Departments.....	2,000.
3409 Other Charges.....	500.
Miscellaneous Revenues:	
3501 Sale of Municipal Property.....	260.
3502 Investments.....	1,564.
3503 Other.....	9,100.
Offsets:	
Sewer Rents.....	30,000.
Water Rents.....	43,786.
3915 From Capital Reserve.(Bridge).....	29,000.
Voted Surplus.....	68,000.

SUMMARY OF 1998 TAX CALCULATIONS

Appropriations	893,204.	
Less: Revenues	760,506.	
Shared Revenues	15,044.	
Add: Overlay	23,459.	
War Service Credits	7,050.	
		Net Town Appropriation 148,163.
Due to School District	590,501.	
Less: Shared Revenues	92,693.	
		Net School Appropriation 497,808.
Due to County	89,586.	
Less: Shared Revenues	7,985.	
		Net County Appropriation 81,601.
Town Property Taxes Assessed		727,572.
Less: War Service Credits		(7,050.)
Total Commitment		720,522.
Net Assessed Valuation 23,215,420 x Rate 31.34		727,522.
Tax Rate:		
Town of Stratford	6.39	
School	21.44	
County	4.44	
Total	31.34	

VALUATIONS:

Land:

A. Current Use (34,251 acres).....	\$ 1,776,751.
B. Residential.....	4,397,818.
C. Commercial/Industrial.....	124,558.

Buildings:

A. Residential.....	\$ 13,495,000.
B. Manufactured Housing.....	1,581,100.
C. Commercial.....	1,600,600.
D. Electric.....	\$ 464,595.

Valuation Before Exemptions: \$ 23,440,420.

Less:

Blind Exemptions: (3).....	\$ 45,000.
Elderly Exemptions (17).....	180,000.

Net Valuation on which tax rate is computed....\$ 23,215,420.

EXHIBIT A
TOWN OF STRATFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Combined Balance Sheet
All Fund Types and Account Group
December 31, 1998

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			<u>Fiduciary Fund Type</u>	<u>Account Group</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Trust</u>	<u>General Long-Term Debt</u>	<u>(Memorandum Only)</u>
<u>Assets</u>						
Cash and Equivalents	\$ 3,796	\$ 99,838	\$ 153	\$ 31,835	\$	\$ 135,622
Investments				342,242		342,242
<u>Receivables (Net of Allowances For Uncollectibles)</u>						
Taxes	410,217					410,217
Accounts	1,620	53,479				55,099
Intergovernmental	172,050					172,050
Interfund Receivable	42,627	506		4,000		47,133
<u>Other Debits</u>						
Amount to be Provided for Retirement of General Long-Term Debt	_____	_____	_____	_____	1,319,479	1,319,479
TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	<u>\$ 630,310</u>	<u>\$ 153,823</u>	<u>\$ 153</u>	<u>\$ 378,077</u>	<u>\$ 1,319,479</u>	<u>\$ 2,481,842</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</u>						
<u>Liabilities</u>						
Accounts Payable	\$ 35,920	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 35,920
Intergovernmental Payable	192,121			89,439		281,560
Interfund Payable	4,506	36,631		5,996		47,133
Tax Anticipation Notes Payable	380,000					380,000
General Obligation Debt Payable					303,079	303,079
Accrued Landfill Closure and Postclosure Costs	_____	_____	_____	_____	1,016,400	1,016,400
Total Liabilities	<u>612,547</u>	<u>36,631</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>95,435</u>	<u>1,319,479</u>	<u>2,064,092</u>
<u>Equity</u>						
<u>Fund Balances</u>						
Reserved For Endowments				57,472		57,472
Reserved For Encumbrances	10,218					10,218
Reserved For Special Purposes			153	225,170		225,323
<u>Unreserved</u>						
Designated For Special Purpose		117,192				117,192
Undesignated	7,545	_____	_____	_____	_____	7,545
Total Equity	<u>17,763</u>	<u>117,192</u>	<u>153</u>	<u>282,642</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>417,750</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u>\$ 630,310</u>	<u>\$ 153,823</u>	<u>\$ 153</u>	<u>\$ 378,077</u>	<u>\$ 1,319,479</u>	<u>\$ 2,481,842</u>

The notes to financial statements ²¹are an integral part of this statement.

SCHEDULE A-1
TOWN OF STRATFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
General Fund
Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1998

REVENUES	Estimated	Actual	Over (Under) Budget
<u>Taxes</u>			
Property	\$ 697,063	\$ 564,594	\$ (132,469)
Resident		40	40
Yield	75,000	92,734	17,734
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	<u>23,000</u>	<u>26,263</u>	<u>3,263</u>
Total Taxes	<u>795,063</u>	<u>683,631</u>	<u>(111,432)</u>
<u>Licenses and Permits</u>			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	58,000	72,111	14,111
Other Licenses, Permits and Fees	<u>3,000</u>	<u>3,985</u>	<u>985</u>
Total Licenses and Permits	<u>61,000</u>	<u>76,096</u>	<u>15,096</u>
<u>Intergovernmental Revenues</u>			
<u>State</u>			
Shared Revenue	152,655	152,654	(1)
Meals and Rooms Distribution	14,425	14,425	
Highway Block Grant	18,203	18,203	
Water Pollution Grants	3,973	3,973	
State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	27,862	33,000	5,138
Other Reimbursements	<u>315,900</u>	<u>319,036</u>	<u>3,136</u>
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	<u>533,018</u>	<u>541,291</u>	<u>8,273</u>
<u>Charges For Services</u>			
Income From Departments	<u>2,500</u>	<u>3,837</u>	<u>1,337</u>
<u>Miscellaneous Revenues</u>			
Sale of Municipal Property	.260	1,896	1,636
Interest on Investments	1,564	1,149	(415)
Rents of Property		1,345	1,345
Other	<u>9,100</u>	<u>15,852</u>	<u>6,752</u>
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	<u>10,924</u>	<u>20,242</u>	<u>9,318</u>
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>			
<u>Operating Transfers In</u>			
<u>Interfund Transfers</u>			
Capital Reserve Funds	<u>29,000</u>	<u>29,000</u>	
<u>Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>1,431,505</u>	<u>\$ 1,354,097</u>	<u>\$ (77,408)</u>
<u>Unreserved Fund Balance</u>			
Used To Reduce Tax Rate	<u>68,000</u>		
<u>Total Revenues, Other Financing Sources and Use of Fund Balance</u>	<u>\$ 1,499,505</u>		

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SCHEDULE A-2
TOWN OF STRATFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
General Fund
Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1998

	Encumbered From 1997	Appropriations 1998	Expenditures Net of Refunds	Encumbered To 1999	(Over) Under Budget
<u>Current</u>					
<u>General Government</u>					
Executive	\$ 6,000	\$ 55,000	\$ 53,281	\$	\$ 7,719
Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics		7,000	5,984		1,016
Financial Administration		5,600	5,470		130
Revaluation of Property	37,884		38,826		(942)
Legal Expenses		3,000	845		2,155
Personnel Administration		11,000	13,452		(2,452)
Planning and Zoning		1,500	557		943
General Government Buildings		17,000	11,810		5,190
Cemeteries		4,500	3,076	1,424	
Insurance, not otherwise allocated		11,000	12,739		(1,739)
Advertising and Regional Associations		1,400	800		600
Other	<u>8,794</u>			<u>8,794</u>	
Total General Government	<u>52,678</u>	<u>117,000</u>	<u>146,840</u>	<u>10,218</u>	<u>12,620</u>
<u>Public Safety</u>					
Police Department		35,000	34,103		897
Ambulance		500	1,414		(914)
Fire Department		36,000	30,192		5,808
Emergency Management		<u>500</u>			<u>500</u>
Total Public Safety		<u>72,000</u>	<u>65,709</u>		<u>6,291</u>
<u>Highways and Streets</u>					
Highways and Streets		70,000	56,685		13,315
Street Lighting		<u>15,000</u>	<u>13,463</u>		<u>1,537</u>
Total Highways and Streets		<u>85,000</u>	<u>70,148</u>		<u>14,852</u>
<u>Sanitation</u>					
Solid Waste Disposal		<u>86,427</u>	<u>75,948</u>		<u>10,479</u>
<u>Health</u>					
Administration		1,500	1,262		238
Health Agencies and Hospitals		<u>7,075</u>	<u>7,075</u>		
Total Health		<u>8,575</u>	<u>8,337</u>		<u>238</u>
<u>Welfare</u>					
Direct Assistance		<u>5,000</u>	<u>2,259</u>		<u>2,741</u>

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SCHEDULE A-2 (Continued)
TOWN OF STRATFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
General Fund
Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1998

	Encumbered <u>From 1997</u>	Appropriations <u>1998</u>	Expenditures Net of <u>Refunds</u>	Encumbered <u>To 1999</u>	(Over) Under <u>Budget</u>
<u>Culture and Recreation</u>					
Parks and Recreation		4,500	3,064		1,436
Patriotic Purposes		1,250	512		738
Other Culture and Recreation		300			300
Total Culture and Recreation		6,050	3,576		2,474
<u>Conservation</u>		1,000	563		437
<u>Debt Service</u>					
Principal of Long-Term Debt		5,779	5,288		491
Interest Expense - Long-Term Debt		14,087	14,578		(491)
Interest Expense -					
Tax Anticipation Notes		6,000	4,129		1,871
Total Debt Service		25,866	23,995		1,871
<u>Capital Outlay</u>					
Bog Brook Bridge		342,000	347,010		(5,010)
Tractor/Mower		10,000	7,900		2,100
Fire Department Equipment		12,000	11,977		23
Total Capital Outlay		364,000	366,887		(2,887)
<u>Intergovernmental</u>					
School District Assessment		590,501	590,501		
County Tax Assessment		89,586	89,586		
Total Intergovernmental		680,087	680,087		
<u>Other Financing Uses</u>					
<u>Operating Transfers Out</u>					
<u>Interfund Transfers</u>					
Special Revenue Funds		9,500	6,119		3,381
Capital Reserve Funds		39,000	39,000		
Total Operating Transfers Out		48,500	45,119		3,381
<u>Total Appropriations.</u>					
<u>Expenditures and Encumbrances</u>	<u>\$ 52,678</u>	<u>\$ 1,499,505</u>	<u>\$ 1,489,468</u>	<u>\$ 10,218</u>	<u>\$ 52,497</u>

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SCHEDULE A-3
TOWN OF STRATFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
General Fund
Statement of Changes in Unreserved - Undesignated Fund Balance
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1998

<u>Unreserved - Undesignated</u> <u>Fund Balance - January 1</u>	\$ 100,456	
<u>Deduction</u> Unreserved Fund Balance Used To Reduce 1998 Tax Rate	<u>68,000</u>	\$ 32,456
<u>Addition</u> <u>1998 Budget Summary</u> Revenue (Deficit) (Schedule A-1) Unexpended Balance of Appropriations (Schedule A-2)	\$ (77,408) <u>52,497</u>	
1998 Budget (Deficit)		<u>(24,911)</u>
<u>Unreserved - Undesignated</u> <u>Fund Balance - December 31</u>		<u>\$ 7,545</u>

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*SCHEDULE I
TOWN OF STRATFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Summary of Tax Warrants
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1998*

- Dr. -	<u>Levies of</u>	
	<u>1998</u>	<u>Prior Years</u>
<u>Uncollected Taxes - January 1, 1998</u>		
Property	\$	\$ 201,870
Resident		2,450
Yield		151
<u>Taxes Committed to Collector</u>		
Property	725,692	
Resident		40
Yield	92,734	
<u>Overpayments</u>	28,977	
<u>Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes</u>	<u>774</u>	<u>15,173</u>
<u>Total Debits</u>	<u>\$ 848,177</u>	<u>\$ 219,684</u>
- Cr. -		
<u>Remitted to Treasurer</u>		
Property	\$ 360,025	\$ 200,230
Resident		40
Yield	79,728	151
Interest and Penalties	774	15,173
<u>Abatements Allowed</u>		
Property	5	
<u>Current Levy Deeded</u>	401	552
<u>Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1998</u>		
Property	395,839	449
Yield	13,006	
Resident		2,450
<u>Excess Debits (Credits)</u>	<u>(1,601)</u>	<u>639</u>
<u>Total Credits</u>	<u>\$ 848,177</u>	<u>\$ 219,684</u>

SCHEDULE II
TOWN OF STRATFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Summary of Tax Lien Accounts
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1998

- Dr. -	Levies of			
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>Prior</u>
<u>Unredeemed Taxes - January 1, 1998</u>	\$	\$ 93,651	\$ 59,877	\$ 16,909
<u>Taxes Executed to Town During Year</u>	106,258			
<u>Overpayments</u>		28		
<u>Interest and Costs After Sale</u>	<u>997</u>	<u>3,925</u>	<u>4,787</u>	<u>645</u>
<u>Total Debits</u>	<u>\$ 107,255</u>	<u>\$ 97,604</u>	<u>\$ 64,664</u>	<u>\$ 17,554</u>
- Cr. -				
<u>Remitted to Treasurer</u>				
Redemptions	\$ 11,271	\$ 21,761	\$ 12,085	\$ 1,577
Interest and Costs After Execution	997	3,925	4,787	645
<u>Abatements</u>		833	72	
<u>Liens Deeded to Municipality</u>				599
<u>Unredeemed Taxes - December 31, 1998</u>	94,987	71,091	47,720	14,733
<u>Excess (Credits)</u>	<u> </u>	<u>(6)</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
<u>Total Credits</u>	<u>\$ 107,255</u>	<u>\$ 97,604</u>	<u>\$ 64,664</u>	<u>\$ 17,554</u>

*SCHEDULE III
TOWN OF STRATFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Summary of Water Rent Warrants
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1998*

	<u>Levies of</u>		1997	1996
	<u>1998</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>Lien</u>	<u>Lien</u>
- Dr. -				
<u>Uncollected Water Rents - January 1, 1998</u>	\$	\$ 5,132	\$	\$ 1,735
<u>Water Rents Committed During Year</u>	40,845			
<u>Water Rents Liened During Year</u>			3,327	
<u>Interest and Costs Collected</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>261</u>	<u> </u>	<u>6</u>
<u>Total Debits</u>	<u>\$ 40,932</u>	<u>\$ 5,393</u>	<u>\$ 3,327</u>	<u>\$ 1,741</u>
- Cr. -				
<u>Remittances to Treasurer</u>				
Water Rents	\$ 16,058	\$ 5,019	\$	\$ 70
Interest and Costs	87	261		6
<u>Abatements Allowed</u>		113		
<u>Uncollected Water Rents - December 31, 1998</u>	<u>24,787</u>	<u> </u>	<u>3,327</u>	<u>1,665</u>
<u>Total Credits</u>	<u>\$ 40,932</u>	<u>\$ 5,393</u>	<u>\$ 3,327</u>	<u>\$ 1,741</u>

*SCHEDULE IV
TOWN OF STRATFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Summary of Sewer Rent Warrants
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1998*

- Dr. -	<u>Levies of</u>			1997	Prior
	<u>1998</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>Prior</u>	<u>Lien</u>	<u>Liens</u>
<u>Uncollected Sewer Rents - January 1, 1998</u>	\$	\$ 4,573	\$ 310	\$	\$ 1,662
<u>Sewer Rents Committed During Year</u>	29,583				
<u>Prepayments</u>	221				
<u>Overpayments</u>	3				
<u>Sewer Rent Liens Executed During Year</u>				3,767	
<u>Interest on Rents</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>570</u>	<u>27</u>		
<u>Total Debits</u>	<u>\$ 29,808</u>	<u>\$ 5,143</u>	<u>\$ 337</u>	<u>\$ 3,767</u>	<u>\$ 1,662</u>
- Cr. -					
<u>Remittances to Treasurer</u>					
Sewer Rents	\$ 11,713	\$ 4,504	\$ 70	\$	\$
Interest on Rents	1	570	27		
<u>Abatements Allowed</u>	15	69			
<u>Uncollected Sewer Rents - December 31, 1998</u>	18,031		240	3,767	1,662
<u>Excess Debits</u>	<u>48</u>				
<u>Total Credits</u>	<u>\$ 29,808</u>	<u>\$ 5,143</u>	<u>\$ 337</u>	<u>\$ 3,767</u>	<u>\$ 1,662</u>

SCHEDULE VI
TOWN OF STRATFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Trust Funds
Summary of Principal and Income - Cash Basis
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1998

	Principal			
	Balance January 1, 1998	New Funds	Deductions	Balance December 31, 1998
Cemetery Funds	\$ 27,024	\$ 600	\$	\$ 27,624
Helen Brown Fund	10,000			10,000
Rollin Baldwin Fund		3,208		3,208
John C. Hutchins Prize Fund	1,188	37		1,225
Everett & Louise Morrison Fund	500	255		755
Irene Carrier Stevens Fund	4,874			4,874
Bernard Nugent Fund	5,000			5,000
Grant Mason Fund	1,365	74		1,439
Lewis Allin Fund	100	40		140
Gerald Whitaker Fund	1,897			1,897
Brandon Davis	1,311			1,311
Library Trusts				
<u>Capital Reserve Funds</u>				
North Stratford Memorial Fund	4,584			4,584
Stratford Hollow Memorial Fund	5,154			5,154
Stratford Fire Department	10,933			10,933
<u>School District Funds</u>				
Handicapped Education	40,000			40,000
School Building	215			215
Revaluation	30,000		29,191	809
Highway and Bridge Replacement	99,868	25,000	31,908	92,960
Ambulance	23,480	5,000		28,480
Stump Dump	10,000	5,000	9,353	5,647
<u>Totals</u>	<u>\$ 277,493</u>	<u>\$ 39,214</u>	<u>\$ 70,452</u>	<u>\$ 246,255</u>

Income				
Balance January 1, 1998	Additions	Deductions	Balance December 31, 1998	Balance of Principal & Income December 31, 1998
\$ 11,859	\$ 2,126	\$ 1,427	\$ 12,558	\$ 40,182
934	546		1,480	11,480
15,376	3,261	5,533	13,104	16,312
36	61	36	61	1,286
255	39	255	39	794
	231		231	5,105
	263		263	5,263
74	75	74	75	1,514
40	7	40	7	147
	100		100	1,997
	69		69	1,380
3,953	90		4,043	4,043
621	273		894	5,478
6,110	591		6,701	11,855
9,245	1,056		10,301	21,234
10,093	2,628		12,721	52,721
34,673	1,830		36,503	36,718
7,821	696		8,517	9,326
9,786	5,414		15,200	108,160
2,229	1,340		3,569	32,049
<u>847</u>	<u>539</u>	<u> </u>	<u>1,386</u>	<u>7,033</u>
<u>\$ 113,952</u>	<u>\$ 21,235</u>	<u>\$ 7,365</u>	<u>\$ 127,822</u>	<u>\$ 374,077</u>

*SCHEDULE V
TOWN OF STRATFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Summary of Town Clerk's Account
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1998*

- Dr. -

<u>Motor Vehicle Permits Issued</u>	\$ 72,075
<u>Dog Licenses and Penalties</u>	1,641
<u>Other Fees</u>	<u>2,298</u>
<u>Total Debits</u>	<u>\$ 76,014</u>

- Cr. -

<u>Remittances to Treasurer</u>	
Motor Vehicle Permits	\$ 72,075
Dog Licenses and Penalties	1,641
Other Fees	<u>2,298</u>
<u>Total Credits</u>	<u>\$ 76,014</u>

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1998

4 Marriages	7 Births	11 Deaths
1045 Motor Vehicle Permits		\$72,075.00
207 Dog Licenses Issued		1,415.00
Dog Penalties		226.50
Filing Fees		2.00
17 Town Histories		340.00
Postage and Copier		31.21
Marriages		180.00
Town Clerk's Fees		1,698.00
		<hr/>
		\$75,967.71

Remittance to Treasurer

Motor Vehicle Permits	\$72,110.00
Dog Licenses	1,643.50
Marriages	225.00
Town Histories	340.00
Other fees	1,731.21
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	\$76,049.71

Over deposit of \$45.00 on marriages
Over deposit of \$2.00 on dogs
Over deposit of \$20.00 on motor vehicle permits
\$15.00 that was collected for titles in June

Respectfully submitted,
Rose M. Bernard, Town Clerk

SUMMARY OF DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSES

EXECUTIVE

Salaries:

Bernard, Rose Marie.....	\$ 5,826.
Blodgett, Charlotte.....	1,000.
Brooks, W. Timothy.....	712.
DeLalla, Vicki.....	300.
Hawley, Frances.....	18,202.
Macdonald, Elizabeth J.....	900.
Marier, Nancy L.....	10,160.
Paquette, Gary.....	125.,
Renaud, Linda H.....	385.
Robert, Manon.....	209.
Ruch, Lewis.....	525.

Expenses:

Bernard, Rose Marie.....	54.
Blodgett, Charlotte.....	600.
Brooks, W. Timothy.....	475.
DeLalla, Vicki.....	200.
Hawley, Frances.....	19.
Macdonald, Elizabeth J.....	608.
Paquette, Gary.....	125.
Ruch, Lewis.....	350.
Coos County Registry of Deeds.....	347.
Lyndonville Office Supply.....	2,688.
Bell Atlantic.....	1,511.
AT&T.....	50.
The Furst Group.....	229.
Coos County Democrat.....	123.
Liebl Printing.....	1,688.
Postmaster, North Stratford.....	1,254.
Lancaster Floral Design.....	19.
Real Data Corporation.....	20.
N.H. Municipal Association.....	640.
The News & Sentinel.....	22.
Crystal Clear Solutions.....	390.
Lexis Law Publishing.....	551.
National Market Reports.....	115.
Gemforms.....	1,004.
N.H. Tax Collector's Association.....	30.
Intuit.....	70.
Quill.....	337.
Business Data Solutions.....	1,450.
Business Management Systems, Inc.....	1,342.

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION - AUDIT

Plodzick & Sanderson.....	\$ 5,400.
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REVALUATION OF PROPERTY

Cartographic Associates, Inc.....	\$ 38,162.
Rochester 100.....	231.
Nyberg, Purvis & Associates.....	225.

ELECTION, REGISTRATION & VITAL STATISTICS

Goulet, Lorraine.....	\$	180.
LaFeuille, Bernice.....		180.
Routhier, Virginia M.....		270.
Ruch, Frances.....		180.
Smith Rhonda.....		180.
Stinson, Patricia.....		138.
White, G. Sharon.....		339.
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire.....		293.
Coos County Democrat.....		161.
The News & Sentinel.....		220.
First Baptist Church.....		125.
Nulhegan Ladies Auxiliary.....		360.
Macdonald, Clayton.....		15.
BROWN's River Bindery.....		3,000.
Stark & Son Machining.....		57.
N.H. Department of Agriculture.....		30.

LEGAL EXPENSES

Mitchell & Bates.....	\$	294.
Waystack & King.....		436.

PLANNING BOARD:

Bell Atlantic.....	\$	345.
The News & Sentinel.....		68.
Coos County Democrat.....		86.
North Country Council.....		45.
Coos County Registry of Deeds.....		12.

TOWN HALL AND OTHER BUILDINGS

Hook Laurence E, Sr.....	\$	390.
Zanes, Sonya.....		1,590.
Lewis Oil Company, Inc.....		3,861.
Public Service of New Hampshire.....		3,026.
Kipp Alarm Service.....		550.
Water Rent.....		339.
Sewer Rent.....		173.
Oreck.....		30.
Carpet Barn.....		593.
Town & Country Cleaning.....		126.
James Siewierski.....		150.
Lucan Hyde.....		2.
P.A.Hicks.....		28.
Emerson & Son.....		158.
Daniel Hebert, Inc.....		211.
Rick Robinson.....		650.

INSURANCE

George M. Stevens.....	\$	12,218.
Western World.....		500.
Redland Insurance Company.....		1,048.
Compensation Funds of N.H.....		1,037.

CEMETERIES

Flanders, Stephen.....	\$ 130.
Nelson, David.....	2,122.
Reynolds, Peter N.....	46.
Stone, James.....	100.
King, Alton.....	35.
Emerson & Son.....	73.
Littleton Monument.....	560.
Debanville's.....	10.

ADVERTISING & REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

North Country Council.....	\$ 500.
Sta-North.....	500.
Great North Woods Region.....	300.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Bedell, Terrence.....	\$ 1,368.
Bilodeau, Michael.....	399.
Burns, Troy W.....	48.
Curley, Lawrence.....	32.
Desilets, Ronald.....	432.
Gould, Timothy.....	8,313.
Hyde, Lucan A.....	336.
Platt, Marcel.....	2,132.
Zanes, Sonya.....	198.
Burns Truck Stop.....	1,010.
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire.....	20.
Shaw Communications.....	238.
Setina Manufacturing Company.....	311.
Bell Atlantic.....	738.
The Furst Group.....	170.
Union Leader Corporation.....	42.
The News & Sentinel.....	20.
White Mountain Publishers.....	37.
Caledonia Record.....	42.
AT&T.....	3.
Emerson & Son.....	1,573.
Colebrook Office Supply.....	18.
Tuxall Uniform & Equipment.....	385.
Liebl Printing Company.....	208.
State of New Hampshire.....	157.
Lexis Law Publishing.....	260.
West Group.....	55.
Gall's.....	4,274.
U.S. Armored Technologies.....	1,785.
Ben's Uniforms.....	1,016.
Simons Uniforms.....	179.
Coos County Democrat.....	41.
Lyndonville Office Supply.....	2,020.
NCIA Computer Outlet.....	3,357.
D & S, Inc.....	1,669.
Stratton Hats, Inc.....	206.
Ossipee Mountain Electronics.....	931.

AMBULANCE - TELEPHONE

Bell Atlantic..... \$ 352.

FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Arsenault, Jamie R.....	\$ 402.
Bennett, Floyd A.....	65.
Bennett, Michael.....	924.
Berry, Robert L.....	48.
Blodgett, Nicholas D.....	13.
Blodgett, Robert L.....	94.
Blodgett, Thurman.....	193.
Buffington, James.....	120.
Chateauneuf, Michael N.....	45.
Curley, Lawrence.....	1,175.
Curley, Patrick.....	185.
Deyette, Wayne.....	13.
Donovan, Dwayne.....	430.
Drew, Rodney.....	176.
Flanders, James K.....	65.
Flanders, Stephen.....	396.
Frado, Richard G.....	120.
Gilman, Wendy.....	205.
Goulet, Bryan.....	370.
Hawkins, George.....	141.
Hibbard, Marc E.....	140.
Holden, Carol A.....	206.
Hurley, Chad.....	253.
Hurley, Philip.....	294.
Perkins, Darlene A.....	111.
Raymond, Jeremy.....	12.
Reynolds, Peter A.....	351.
Stinson, Corey.....	115.
Stinson, Charles III.....	303.
Zanes, William.....	277.
Northern N.H. Fire Mutual Aid.....	300.
Weeks Hospital Association.....	90.
Hitchcock Clinic.....	48.
Marion Blodgett.....	75.
Firemens' Training Reimbursement.....	100.
AT&T.....	147.
Bobby Belanger.....	270.
B & M Heating.....	45.
Bell Atlantic.....	1,842.
Burns Truck Stop.....	864.
Citgo Petroleum.....	187.
DeBanville's Store.....	50.
Dan's Glass & Mirror.....	30.
Emerson & Son.....	38.
Emerson's Country Store.....	7.
The Fire Barn.....	169.
Fire Tech & Safety.....	5,044.
Bruce Haynes.....	476.
Inland Divers.....	90.
Kipp Alarm Service, Inc.....	240.

Lewis Oil Co. Inc.....	\$ 4,778.
Eric Marceau.....	400.
North Country Fire Truck.....	324.
Northwoods Trading Post.....	38.
Ossipee Mountain Electronics.....	780.
Public Service of New Hampshire.....	2,475.
A.D. Sanel.....	628.
Shaw Communication.....	2,297.
F.B.Spaulding.....	274.

FIRE HOSE

Fire Tech & Safety.....	\$ 11,976.
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HIGHWAYS AND STREETS

Hook Lawrence E. Sr.....	\$ 26,581.
Public Service of New Hampshire.....	567.
The News & Sentinel.....	60.
Coos County Democrat.....	85.
Bernard Walling.....	25,100.
Debanville's.....	28.
Burns Truck Stop.....	8.
Columbia Sand & Gravel.....	2,653.
Rosaire Marquis.....	1,392.
Kenneth Hook.....	462.
Roland LaPerle.....	216.
Cargill Salt.....	1,299.
Brooks Agway.....	95.

STREET LIGHTING

Public Service of New Hampshire.....	\$ 13,463
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RECYCLING AND SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

Arsenault, Jamie E.....	\$ 21.
Demayo, John J.....	352.
Flanders, Stephen.....	21.
Hook, Laurence E., Sr.....	854.
Paquette, Gary.....	1,875.
Raymond, Jeremy.....	21.
Reynolds, Peter A.....	23.
Zanes, Sonya.....	5,261.
Clifton Hall.....	39,629.
North Country Environmental Service.....	7,164.
Crown Vantage.....	4,930.
Coos County Democrat.....	24.
Bell Atlantic.....	195.
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire.....	500.
Public Service of New Hampshire.....	136.
WeLog.....	2,950.
Twin Mountain Fence.....	3,150.
St. Johnsbury Overhead Door.....	810.
Carroll Concrete.....	2,352.
Casco, Inc.....	488.
Lewis Oil.....	661.

SEWAGE TREATMENT DEPARTMENT

Hook, Laurence E. Sr.....	\$	85.
Smith, Debra A.....		7,022.
Zanes, Sonya.....		198.
Zanes, William.....		659.
Postmaster, North Stratford.....		112.
Bell Atlantic.....		885.
Public Service of New Hampshire.....		3,772.
Kipp Alarm.....		370.
Welch's Water & Wastewater Testing.....		2,640.
Ron's Electric.....		386.
Emerson's Country Store.....		976.
White's Septic Service.....		2,700.
Eastern Analytical.....		525.
Burns Truck Stop.....		114.

TOWN WATER DEPARTMENT

Harris, Carlton.....	\$	6,499.
Hawley, Frances.....		635.
Hook, Laurence E., Sr.....		122
Marier, Nancy.....		577.
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire.....		1,415
Water Solutions.....		542.
Daniel Hebert, Inc.....		833.
Emerson & Son.....		157.
Bell Atlantic.....		298
Public Service of New Hampshire.....		5,233.
Colebrook Oil, Inc.....		628.
AT&T.....		6.
Everett J. Prescott, Inc.....		39.
Gervais Plumbing & Heating.....		255.
Real Properties Group.....		200.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Carlton Harris, Health Officer.....	\$	762.
David Gaudette, Dog Officer.....		500.

WELFARE

Various	\$	2,452.
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PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Hook Laurence E., Sr.....	\$	989.
Zanes, Sonya.....		623.
Zanes, William.....		75.
Public Service of New Hampshire.....		341.
The Honey Wagon		300.
Burns Truck Stop.....		20.
Rain Barrel Gardens.....		75.
Nulhegan Ladies Auxiliary.....		350.
Donations to Athletic Teams.....		550.
Stephen Dowse.....		50.
Blackmount Equipment, Inc.....		37.

TRACTOR PURCHASE

Blackmount Equipment, Inc.	\$	7,900.
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LIBRARIES

Cook, Margaret.....	\$	515
Knauss, Pamela.....		422.
Ruch, Frances.....		370.
Appropriation - 1997.....		2,300.
Appropriation - 1998		1,686.

PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

H.A. Holt & Sons.....	\$	154.
Gorham Flag Center.....		359.

FORESTER

Paul Crosby.....	\$	563.
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DEBT SERVICE

Long Term - Principal and Interest.....	\$	19,866.
Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest.....		4,129.



Dear Citizens of Stratford;

1998 has been a very busy year.

With the resignation of Lewis Ruch, Vicki DeLalla was sworn in to take his place. The rationale for this appointment was due to the fact that Vicki has been attending the Monday night meeting on a regular basis and was familiar with issues at hand. This would save the Board valuable time as she would not have to be “brought up to speed.”

While Lewis was on the Board, he was very instrumental in aggressively developing the Recycling Center. Although much has been done, there are more items that need to be attended to; sealing the roof, fixing the sky lights, building a roof over the roll off to keep rain and snow out (which adds weight to debris, which in turn adds to the cost of shipping). As the Board was unable to ascertain actual money spent on project to date, we made an estimate, only to find out that we actually had enough money to have finished the projects, but that money has already gone back to the General Fund. Therefore, the Board is asking for the money back in order to finish these necessary projects.

The Town underwent a complete revaluation, which proved to be painful for some and a relief to others. At a Selectmen’s meeting held at Kimball Hall on January 11, 1999, a group of concerned tax payers aired their concerns. As the Board is not qualified to appraise property as part of complete evaluation, it was expressed that individuals with concerns should take advantage of the available process: filing for an abatement. To clarify the misconception that the Board had made adjustments to some properties, it was noted that this Board has not made any adjustments or abatements to any properties.

Policy and Procedures that were adopted in 1996 have been revised to be more specific to our town, and have been approved by the Board. The Policy and Procedures have been printed in this book for your viewing. Further, job descriptions have been written for the following positions: Administrative Assistant, Recycling Center, Lawn Maintenance. Other job descriptions will be ongoing.

There were a lot of positive activities within our town borders this past year. Meetings between the Chiefs and the Selectmen were held 3 times with, hopefully, one more before the end of the term. One of those meetings was with George M. Stevens Insurance Co. We were able to ask questions and find where the weaknesses in our insurance program existed, and make corrections in our coverage for the best interest of the town. The selectmen held 3 meeting in Stratford Hollow: once for the Bog Brook Bridge, and twice for a Selectmen’s regularly scheduled meeting.

Storage is a big problem for the town and this is being addressed. When asked about a list of dates of when to dispose of records, the only copy in the office was from about 1992. We now have the 1995 updated version. The Office Clerk has been given the task of checking the files for out-dated data or data that can be moved to the vault. The vault has reached an unmanageable condition. We are consulting with a locksmith on the feasibility of using the vault in the old fire station building.

Goals for the coming year need to include redoing our town maps. There are properties missing on the maps and subdivisions that have not been marked on the map. Other goals need to include exploring possibilities in decreasing the financial burden of trash removal and continuing to develop job descriptions, to name a few.

We urge everyone to become involved in the town, attend the Selectmen's meetings, volunteer to do something within the town. Some highlights of 1998 have been the 225th Celebration, planting flowers in the Hollow and Village, Community Thanksgiving dinner, hanging of greens, Christmas Mitten tree, lighting of the tree in the Common and in the Hollow, and various church and group functions--maybe this year even skating areas in both ends of town.

The Town has been saddened by the retirement of Laurence Hook, a dedicated and valued employee and friend. We thank him for his devotion and hard work. We continue to miss the everyday presence of Marjorie Currier and Daisy Covey.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Macdonald
Timothy Brooks
Vicki DeLalla

REPORT OF STRATFORD LIBRARIES

1998 was a busy and successful year for both Stratford Public and Laura P. Johnson Memorial libraries. We started the year with a postcard survey, which yielded 68 responses. Most frequently requested services: computer with Internet access (45), videos (44), music CDs/tapes (42) story hour (31), crafts/hobbies (30), computer books/software (29), and genre fiction (26).

We are actively seeking funding to get first one, then both libraries hooked up with computer and internet access. As with all our projects, we are open to suggestions from anyone about this project.

Storytime has been held 11 times this year at Stratford Public Library, with excellent turnout each time. We appreciate especially the contributions of Ameri-corps volunteer and story teller Diane Hall. We would like to extend this popular program to Laura P. Johnson Library, and need more feedback from residents as to most convenient scheduling.

Our Librarians have featured prominently in our work this year. In March we were especially pleased to honor our retiring librarian, Marjorie Carrier, after 31 years of faithful service. Pam Knauff and Margaret Cook kept the doors open, and helped jump-start new programs and services. Then in August Frances Ruch took over as librarian in both locations. Having one librarian will make it easy to get books you need to the library most convenient to you. Let her know what you need. Frances is experimenting with different days and hours open, trying to find out what is most convenient for everyone. Your suggestions are welcome and encouraged.

Thirty-six new books have been added to our stacks this year; from fiction bestsellers to popular children's books to biographies and memoirs. Let Frances know what specific titles or categories of books you would like us to add in the future.

In December, we held a Used Book/Holiday Craft Sale at Fuller Town Hall. It was very successful, with 11 groups participating, and steady attendance all day. Stratford Public Library realized \$787. in proceeds from the fundraiser, which will be used for books and/or services used directly by our patrons. With this success, we hope to continue the Holiday Sale as an annual event.

Upcoming plans for 1999 include a summer fundraiser in Stratford Hollow for Laura P Johnson books and materials, continued acquisition for both libraries, and (we hope) success with our computer/Internet project.

As always, we encourage everyone, children and adults, to explore the pleasure of reading.

TRUSTEES OF STRATFORD LIBRARIES

Claire Martineau

Sonya Zanes

Dana K. Cassell

STRATFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Stratford Police Department has gone through some more changes this past year. One of the more important changes is June 1, 1998; the department has been made available for police protection with no limits set on hours of availability to the town's people.

In May Officer Tim Gould was appointed Chief of Police. Also appointed was Officer Ronald Desilets. Officer Desilets comes to the town already certified with the state of New Hampshire. Therefore no town money was spent to certify Officer Desilets.

The department participated in several public functions this past year. We had some town people in the Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run. We were present for Old Home Day, at both ends of town. We also participated in Operation Santa Clause with the state as well as help provide Christmas for a couple of families in Stratford.

As you can see by the activity listed the department has had a busy year. We have been able to cover most of the calls by the residents of Stratford. My goal from last year was to be available to you the residents of Stratford 24 hours a day. I was able to make a schedule with full coverage availability for 3 months. I hope we will be able to continue this coverage for the town.

On behalf of the Police Department, I would like to thank you, the citizens of Stratford for your support and funding this past year, and again I am hoping for your continued support again this year. If you have any questions or concerns, or would like to see any of the equipment we now have, please feel free to see me.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tim Gould
Chief of Police

3	Harassing Phone Calls	5	Alarms
11	Theft	1	ALS hearing
5	Issuing Bad Checks	4	Arrest on Warrant
1	Missing Person	6	Assault
3	Assist State Police MVA	2	Assist Fire Department
1	Possession of Drugs	2	Assist Motorist
2	Burglary	18	Assist others PD/SP/SO
5	Assault	8	Bad Check Report
1	OHRV on Public Way	2	Burglary
1	Conduct After Accident	56	Call Out
1	Child in Need of Services	21	Calls directly to Office
1	Dog Bite	6	Calls to Attorneys
1	Stolen Registration Plate	1	Chins
4	Criminal Mischief	1	Civil Standby
2	Domestic Violence	10	Complaints about Juvenile
2	Littering	15	Court Appearances
5	Criminal Threatening	17	Criminal Mischief
2	Domestic Violence Assault	11	Criminal Threatening
1	Disobeying Officer	11	Criminal Trespass
4	Criminal Trespass	1	Deer in River
2	Assist Fish & Game w/OHRV Accident	13	Domestic Violences
1	Fraud	28	Dogs Complaints
1	Viscous Dog	2	Falsifying Records/Fraud
1	Falsifying Records	6	Harassing Phone calls
1	Protective Custody Juv./Adult	3	Intoxicated Subjects
1	Carrying with out a license	9	Littering/Illegal Dumping
2	Assist DCYF	2	Missing Persons
		56	MV Checks
65	Total Investigations	21	MV Accidents
		56	MV Stop-- Defective Equipment
		10	MV Stop-- Non-Inspection
7	Accidents US Rt 3 (Uptown Area)	2	MV Stop-- Oper After Suspension
4	Accidents US Rt 3 (Hollow Area)	6	MV Stop-- Open Container Arrest
1	Burns Parking Lot	65	MV Stop-- Speed
1	Bog Road	8	MV Stop-- Stop Sign
1	Old Mill Road	8	MV Stop-- Unregistered
1	Washburn Mill Road	10	MV Stop-- Yellow Line
		1	Noise Complaint
		7	Officer Training Classes
15	Total Accident 1998	1	OHRV Accident
		17	OHRV Complaints
		1	Operating w/o Valid License
4	Possession of Drugs	13	Pistol Permits
4	Driving While Intoxicated	4	Possession of Drugs
1	Minor in Possession of Alcohol	11	Thefts
3	Criminal Threatening	1	Protective Custody
3	Bench Warrant	1	Public Safety Meeting w/PNG
6	Transporting Alcohol (Open Container)	2	Relinquished Weapons
2	Operating After Suspension	1	Road Closed/Flood Detail 3/31
2	Criminal Trespass	11	Subpeona's served
1	Bad Checks	12	Stratford School Appearance
3	Theft	2	Subjects Checked
		32	Subjects in office
29	Total Arrest 1998	1	Suicide/Attempted Suicide
		1	Traffic Details
		3	Truant Child Check
		2	Unsecured Building/Doors
		6	Welfare Check
		633	Total Activity For Stratford Police

CEMETERY TRUSTEES' REPORT

The Baldwin Cemetery was mowed and trimmed.

At the Haynes Cemetery, new cedar posts to repair the fence; and fence was scraped and painted, new gate installed and a new signpost put up.

Burnside Cemetery was mowed and trimmed and a new sign added.

In the Center Cemetery we had nineteen broken stones repaired, cemented eight bases on existing stones and had twenty-six stones straightened. We have still more to do.

Edna Fuller
Bruce Blodgett
William Zanes
- Cemetery Trustees

STRATFORD AMBULANCE TOWN REPORT

From January 1, 1998 until December 31, 1998 Stratford Ambulance responded to 54 calls.

Currently we have 7 members on our crew and one student who will have tested by the time town meeting day arrives. I encourage anyone interested in becoming an EMT to contact me. I would be glad to assist in co-ordinating another EMT course in the area. The more EMT's we have, the better the likelihood will be to have a crew available in a timely fashion.

In the six years that I have been an EMT, and in the five years that I have been President, I have seen and heard many people that are quick to criticize and complain about Stratford Ambulance and the work we do, but have very very few people who would be willing to take the time to become an EMT, and become part of the solution instead of adding to the problem.

I am well aware that people have lives and busy schedules. Look around you: so do the people who take time away from their busy lives and their families to go on the ambulance and provide emergency care to someone who might otherwise die.

I'd like to thank those who do support our cause and remind those that don't that some day you, too, may need us, and we'll be there.

Respectfully,

Robert Curless
President

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and State Forest Ranger, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Violations of RSA 227-L:17, the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

There are ten Forest Rangers who work for the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands, Forest Protection Bureau. State Forest Rangers are available to assist communities with forest fire suppression, prevention and training programs as well as the enforcement of forest fire and timber harvest laws. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws, please call our office at 271-2217.

There are 2400 Forest Fire Wardens and Deputy Forest Fire Wardens throughout the state. Each town has a Forest Fire Warden and several Deputy Wardens who assist the Forest Rangers with forest fire suppression, prevention, and law enforcement. Early in 1998 we experienced an ice storm, which caused severe damage to forests of New Hampshire. This damage created a greater potential fire hazard as well as safety hazards to many areas of the state. Your local fire warden and Forest Rangers need your assistance in preventing wildfires in these hard hit areas and throughout the State. If you need assistance or information dealing with ice damaged woodlands, please call 1-800-444-8978.

The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers, 2 mobile patrols and 3 contract aircraft patrols. This early detection and reports from citizens aid in the quick response from local fire departments. This is a critical factor in controlling the size of wildland fires and keeping the loss of property and suppression costs as low as possible.

1998 FIRE STATISTICS

(All Fires Reported thru December 23, 1998)

FIRES REPORTED BY COUNTY

Belknap	44
Carroll	89
Cheshire	67
Coos	18
Grafton	43
Hillsborough	232
Merrimack	108
Rockingham	121
Strafford	64
Sullivan	12
TOTAL FIRES	798
TOTAL ACRES	442.86

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Smoking	59
Debris Burning	38
Campfire	29
Power Line	14
Railroad	9
Equipment Use	24
Lightning	16
Children	95
OHRV	6
Miscellaneous	53
Unknown	140
Fireworks	6
Arson/Suspicious	16
Illegal	231
Rekindle	43
Disposal of ashes	19

UPPER CONNECTICUT VALLEY HOSPITAL

UCVH Emergency Services:

The Emergency Department at UCVH is open 24 hours a day, 365 days per year. There is an in-house physician or physicians assistant assigned daily solely to the duties of the emergency department and walk-in clinic. The emergency department must have available expensive equipment and well-trained ancillary personnel. This department annually operates at a deficit, but because of its essential nature, it is a service that the hospital must continue to provide. In order to increase the volume (about 3500 visits per year), the hospital opened the walk-in clinic in 1993, and it too has generated about 2900 visits per year. However, these combined visits do not generate sufficient revenue to meet the operating expenses of that service. Therefore, each year the hospital requests that the communities that so vitally need this service assist us at town meetings by raising the requested funds to help offset this loss.

UCV Home Health Services:

Upper Connecticut Valley Home Health, formerly known as Northern Coos Community Health Association, became a department of UCVH in 1993. Although it is part of the hospital, services continue the same as before. Services provided are skilled nursing, rehabilitation, homemaker/home health aide and maternal/child health care. Services are reimbursed by Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance, federal and state contracts, but there are those who are not covered and cannot afford to pay. This represents a considerable amount (approximately \$35,000. per year) and a request is made to the towns served for assistance in providing these vital services.

As always, the Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital appreciates the support and assistance given to these services which make the North Country a better and safer place to live.

UPPER CONNECTICUT VALLEY MENTAL HEALTH & VERSHIRE CENTER

1998 FACT SHEET

UPPER CONNECTICUT VALLEY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER:

For many years, Upper Connecticut Valley Mental Health & Developmental Services has provided northern New Hampshire with quality care. We are a private, non-profit agency serving an area that ranges from Pittsburg to Stark, as well as bordering Vermont towns.

We provide mental health emergency services 24 hours a day, counseling, evaluations, drug and alcohol treatment, consultation, education, medication evaluations and treatment and community outreach services. We offer both individual and group treatment. The services we provide are confidential to those receiving them. Fees are charged for all services provided, and most services are covered by most insurance plans. Sliding fee arrangements are available.

We also provide supportive housing services to individuals with disabilities, enabling them to live as independently as possible in their local community.

From July 1997 to June 30, 1998, UCVMH provided 2,791.25 hours of service to 63 Stratford residents:

We average about 50% collection of fees which are charged.

VERSHIRE CENTER

Vershire Center has provided vocational and social training as well as support to individuals with disabilities for the past 25 years. 50 individuals from the local geographic area benefit from services. Numerous community employers work closely with the Center to provide meaningful paid work and social opportunities to the individuals we serve.

Presently, Vershire has community sites operating at the Balsams Hotel and Ethan Allen. Individual placements are also associated with forty local employers and businesses.

Vershire provides transportation to individuals we serve who reside in Stark, Pittsburg and points in-between and we log over 300 miles each day.

TOWN DONATIONS: (Vershire Center & UCVMH combined)

The amount received from the Town of Stratford 1998: \$ 1,000.00

The amount requested from the Town of Stratford in 1999 \$ 1,000.00

We appreciate the support of Stratford voters to allow UCVMH and Vershire Center to continue to provide easily accessible and quality programming to serve residents experiencing mental health problems or who have developmental service needs. For further information please call 237-4955.

Board of Selectmen
N. STRATFORD, N.H.

Dear Selectmen,

Tri-County Community Action Programs, Inc. is seeking funding assistance again from your town to help support its Community Contact Program.

Community Contact provides necessary services and financial assistance for the less fortunate residents of ~~N. Stratford~~, who otherwise would be forced to seek help from your town.

We are requesting ⁶1625.00 for 1999. We depend upon funding from your town and neighboring communities to help with operational costs of our Community Contact office in Colebrook. Your funding is combined with the Community Services Block Grant, Fuel Assistance monies, and the NH Emergency Shelter Grant to keep the office open. Funding from towns such as yours is NOT used to pay staff salaries.

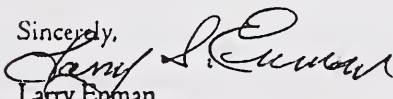
Enclosed is a tally of the services and financial assistance we provided in the last year, the number of people served from ~~N. Stratford~~ and the savings to the taxpayers.

We assisted ⁶178 households and provided ⁶34,344.00 in direct assistance or products and services.

Again, we appreciate your support and cooperation we have received from the Town of ~~N. Stratford~~ in past years and look forward to continuing our partnership to provide essential services to your residents.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to give me a call.

Sincerely,


Larry Enman
Community Contact

Petition Article

To see if the Town of Stratford will appropriate \$1,000.00 in good faith to the Stratford Public School toward the purchase of athletic uniforms.

Benjamin Stinson
Melissa Routhier
Sheila Connary
Lillian Scott
Pat Connary
Patricia A. Stinson
Melissa Stinson
Virginia Routhier
Nancy Beaucage
Mike Gentry

Sta-North Economic Development Corporation
Goals for 1998-1999 Program Year

PROGRAM GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

1. To be involved in the new Prison facility in Berlin in any of the following ways:
 - A) To promote the communities of Groveton, Stark and North Stratford as "wholesome and attractive communities to live in" to potential new employees of the prison facility.
 - B) To hold, possibly in conjunction with The State of NH Employment Security Offices in Berlin, a one-day job fair for residents of the Sta-North area to apply to any available positions at the prison facility.
 - C) To promote location of any state or vocational training or other educational classes to be held for the purpose of training potential employees of the prison facility, in any of the three Sta-North designated towns. (Sta-North contact: Bill Hagenbucher)
2. Assist in organizing a forum to see if there is regional interest in round-table discussions and possible formation of a "historical loop" to pass through the towns of: Groveton, Lancaster, Jefferson, Gorham, Berlin, Milan, Stark, and Stratford. (Sta-North contact, Sandy Boutin)
- 3) To assist the "Stark Pew-Holders Association" in their efforts to acquire the Jimmy Gibson Property for later use as an Interpretive Center. (Sta-North contact, Bob Kidder)
- 4) To continue to recognize the capitol improvements in various business structures in Stark, Groveton, and North Stratford through the continued publication of the Local Economy Gazette newsletter. (Sta-North contact, Sharon White)
- 5) To continue to support the formation of the Northumberland Historical Society until March of 1999, when the Northumberland Historical Society will be formally adopted as a Town Historical Society and will proceed to operate under the laws of the State of New Hampshire.
- 6) To continue to utilize the Old Meeting House as a way to promote businesses in the Sta-North area through the acquisition of brochures and menus of interest to patrons of the Old Meeting House. To include information regarding hours of operation and special events in the State of New Hampshire Guidebooks to be published next spring. (Sta-North contact, Becky Newton)
- 7) To assist in any way possible in the long-term viability of the Genesis Children's Center.
- 8) To assist in bringing educational opportunities to the communities of Stark, Stratford, and Groveton.



**GREAT
NORTH
WOODS
Region
of New Hampshire**

December 29, 1998

On February 18, 1998, The State of New Hampshire created a new seventh region; this region is called the Great North Woods. The Great North Woods is comprised of all of New Hampshire north of and including the towns of Dalton, Whitefield, Lancaster, Kilkenny and Success (unincorporated areas) and the City of Berlin.

The Select Boards of the included towns, the City Council of Berlin, and the Commissioners and Legislative Delegation of Coös County on behalf of all the unincorporated places have registered overwhelming support. In addition, all relevant departments and divisions of State government, as well as, local chambers of commerce and other associations and businesses directly interested have demonstrated wonderful support and cooperation.

People, agencies, and organizations throughout Coös County and the State have come together and formed the Great North Woods Region Association. Enclosed is an index which details an in-depth narrative regarding the works of the Great North Woods Region Association and it's accomplishments; please join in and support our new region by approving the warrant article that is also enclosed. With business and communities all doing a fair share, the Great North Woods will be recognized as New Hampshire's greatest treasure.

We thank you for your time and efforts regarding this matter. Please feel free to call me at 788-3900 if there are any further questions.

In support of the Great North Woods,

Lisa Maxwell
Secretary/Treasurer

Enclosures

CC: Coös County Commissioners
City of Berlin
Town of Colebrook
Town of Dalton
Town of Errol
Town of Jefferson
Town of Milan
Town of Pittsburg
Town of Shelburne
Town of Stratford

Legislative Delegation of Coös County
Town of Carroll
Town of Columbia
Town of Dummer
Town of Gorham
Town of Lancaster
Town of Northumberland
Town of Randolph
Town of Stark
Town of Whitefield

Petition for Warrant Article

We the undersigned registered voters of the Town of Stratford, NH do hereby petition the Selectmen to enter the following Warrant Article in the Annual Town Warrant to be acted upon by the people of the Town of Stratford, NH.

Article: To see if the Town will direct the Selectmen to conduct their own revaluation of the Town in lieu of the use of the revaluation done in 1998 by Cartographic Associates, Inc./Nyberg, Purvis & Associates, L.L.C. Municipal Appraisers and Consultants.

Suzette Emerson
Mary L. Manier
Virginia J. Miller
Jon Emerson
Thomas H. Walker Sr.
Richard S. Hallow
William D. Burdette
Dora M. D.
Christopher L. Smith
Marianne J. Duane
Fred Sweet
John H. Burdette
Oliver Greenblatt
Jane M. Seely
Blaine F. Burdette
Lynne A. Burdette
Dorothy L. Otter
Jon Burdette
Bryan D. Mc Mann

Barry A. Kest
Celine J. Hallow
Francis Hamley
Randy Teller
Linda J. Burdette
Harold Mc Mann
Laura Mackenzie
Sara Teller
Sharon Teller

North Country Council 1998 Town Report

In 25 years of service we recalled working with the 279 boards in the region on more than 1300 projects. Starting as an organization of 5 towns in 1973 we now have 47 towns and two counties in our membership. We have seen extraordinary changes in our 25 years of service to the region.

In 1973, a first class stamp was 8 cents. We had rotary dial phones that required only 4 digits to make a local call. Our vehicles had CBs not car phones. A cell phone was the stuff of Dick Tracy. A few of us had photocopiers, but a lot of people still typed carbons on typewriters. No one had computers. A hand held calculator was a \$100 marvel, and a fax machine was a futuristic daydream. Hundreds worked in shoe factories. Employees at the paper mill in Lincoln outnumbered workers at Loon Mountain by a factor of five. A job at a bank was a job for life, those banks made loans on a handshake. Ski areas prayed for natural snow, it was the only way they could operate. From Plymouth to Pittsburg there were 5 traffic lights, and forget about gas or coffee north of exit 23 on I 93 after 9 p.m.. Main Street boasted names like Newburys, Woolworths and Rexall. The nearest McDonalds was 100 miles away. General Practitioners delivered all the babies in the region.

Few of us had cable TV. Most of us received channel 8 and a fuzzy channel 3 on our TV sets. While we have made great gains since then, we have lost something too. It seems that advances in telecommunications and transportation have made us less remote from the world, but cruelly, they have made us more remote from our own communities. We are now more likely to e-mail some one on the other side of the world than we are to have a neighbor in for coffee.

Since 1973, we have seen legislative and regulatory change in banking, energy, trade, environment, labor relations, safety, transportation and health care. The impact of these actions on our communities has been drastic. Old jobs vanished and new ones emerged. In this environment, the Council helped 40 towns write master plans to encourage growth, limit development or just to help them get a hold of their destiny.

We are not the same organization we were in 1973. As your needs have changed we have changed with you. We still fight for our share of road upgrades and improvements but now we also seek byways that enhance cultural assets and showcase local landscapes. We still seek water and sewer improvement but now we also seek telecommunication improvement. Changing times summon new responses.

Twenty-five years has left us with a rich legacy. We have an expert staff. Half our staff are North Country natives, the other half have lived here half their lives. We have solid connections with agencies in Concord and Washington that can equip the region for a changing future. We have learned to seek incremental improvement by educating, sharing information, evaluating possibilities, holding forums, providing technical assistance and obtaining funds. The last quarter century has also bestowed on us the modern technology to accomplish these tasks and serve you more efficiently and effectively. This legacy is the promise of another 25 years of service and leadership.

Preston S. Gilbert
Executive Director

REPORT TO THE TOWNS AND CITIES IN DISTRICT ONE

by Governor's Councilor Ray Burton

As one of your elected officials, I am honored to report to you as a member of the New Hampshire Executive Council. This five member elected body acts much like a board of directors of your New Hampshire State Government in the Executive Branch.

In my twentieth year representing this District with 98 towns and four cities, there are many changes I've seen and been a part of in the past. My focus in this report to you is toward the future and some suggestions on how you as citizens might be encouraged to participate in the future.

The following are some ideas and suggestions. The Governor and Council have a constitutional and lawful duty to fill dozens of boards and commissions with volunteer citizens. If you are interested in serving on one or more of these volunteer posts, please send me your resume at the State House and I'll see that it's passed on to Kathy Goode, who is Governor Shaheen's liaison to the Executive Council, or you may wish to send them directly to the Governor's Office, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301.

(Note: Mr. Burton lists numerous assistance programs available at need to the Town. Of possible interest to individuals are the following:)

People and businesses looking for work, vocational rehabilitation, job training programs should call NH Employment Security at 1-800-852-3400.

NH Health and Human Services Department has numerous divisions, providing a variety of services and assistance ...mental health, public health, children and youth, etc. All of these may be obtained by calling 1-800-852-3345.

All of your New Hampshire State Government can be accessed by the general phone number at 271-1110 and through State Webster Internet <http://www.state.nh.us>. Your New Hampshire Government is at your service. Please call my office anytime I can be of help. (271-3632 and e-mail: rburton@gov.state.nh.us.)

Policies and Procedures Stratford, New Hampshire

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Personnel Plan is to establish policies and procedures so as to ensure, insofar as possible, uniform treatment and administration of personnel employed by the Town of Stratford. It is not the intent of this plan nor should it be interpreted as being an offer or an enforceable obligation on the part of the Town.

The overall responsibility for administration of this plan rests with the Board of Selectmen of their representative.

SMOKING

On January 1, 1991, New Hampshire passed the Indoor Smoking Act, RSA 155:64-77. This law requires that smoking be restricted and regulated in enclosed places of public ownership, public access, and places of employment to protect the health of the people who use them.

In order to comply with the provisions of this law, and to ensure a safe, smoke-free environment, all Stratford owned buildings are declared non-smoking facilities. Smoking is permitted only outside of buildings.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY

All employees must have the right to work in an environment free of discrimination and any form of harassment, based on race, color, religion, age, sex, national origin, handicap or marital status. To help ensure that no employee feels himself or herself to be subject to harassment, the Town of Stratford also prohibits any offensive physical, written or spoken conduct regarding any of these items, including conduct of a sexual nature.

Such conduct may constitute harassment when engaged in by a Town employee in a position to influence employment decisions when (1) submission to such conduct is made either expressly or implicitly a condition of the recipient's continued employment; or (2) submission to or rejection of such conduct by the recipient is used as the basis for employment decisions affecting the recipient. The Town of Stratford also prohibits repeated and unwelcome physical, written or spoken conduct by either a supervisor or any fellow employee which substantially interferes with an individual's work performance or creates what a reasonable person could consider to be an intimidating, hostile, abusive or offensive working environment.

If an employee believes he or she is being subjected to any of the prohibited forms of harassment or believes he or she is being discriminated against because other employees are receiving favored treatment in exchange for sexual favors, he or she must bring this to the attention of the Board of Selectmen. The very nature of harassment makes it virtually impossible to detect unless the person being harassed registers his or her discontent with

Board of Selectmen. Consequently, in order for the Board to deal with the problem, employees must report such offensive conduct or situations to the Board of Selectmen.

A record of the complaint and the findings will become a part of the complaint investigation record and the file will be maintained separately from the employee's personnel file. It is understood any person electing to utilize this complaint resolution procedure will be treated courteously, the problem handled swiftly and confidentially, and the registering of a complaint will in no way be used or held against the employee, nor will it have an adverse impact on the complaining individual's employment status.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

It is the Town's policy to employ, retain, promote, terminate, and otherwise treat any and all employees and job applicants on the basis of merit, qualifications, and competence. This policy shall be applied without regard to any individual's sex, race, religion, national origin, pregnancy, age, marital status, or physical handicap.

EMPLOYMENT

Employment to fill a vacancy which falls within the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen shall be made by them following a joint review of all applicants.

The rate of pay at the time of employment will be set in proportion to a person's capabilities at the time of employment.

MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

For those positions in the Town of Stratford that require particular physical conditions in order to properly carry out or withstand the prescribed tasks of the position, it may be necessary for job applicants to pass a medical evaluation, at the applicants expense. Such medical examinations will be based on bona fide occupation standards that are reasonable related to the position in question, with consideration given by the Board of Selectmen to accommodating physical handicaps and limitations.

Every applicant for the Stratford Fire Department shall pass a medical evaluation with the physician of their choice and expense. The physician shall clearly state that he/she is aware that the applicant is applying for a position of the fire department.

EMPLOYMENT OF RELATIVES

Nothing in the Town's equal employment opportunity policy is intended to be interpreted as preventing the Board of Selectmen from reasonably regulating nepotism for reasons of supervision, safety, security, or morale. Generally, employee's relatives will be eligible for employment with the Town as long as no conflicts in supervision, safety, security, or morale, or potential conflicts of interest exist.

PROBATION PERIOD

The Board of Selectmen shall establish probationary periods for each separate occupation in Town on the basis of such factors as the complexity of job tasks, unique or difficult nature of work operations, the importance of work activities and decision, and the time involved to reasonably accomplish an evaluation of full job adaptation. Generally, nonexempt employees will serve a 6-month probationary period, during which time their job progress will be formally evaluated by the standards established for their areas of job responsibility. Part-time employees will serve probationary periods commensurate to the number of hours served.

Employment may be terminated at the will and discretion of the Board of Selectmen at any time during the probationary period. In cases of probationary release from Town service, formal advance notice by the Board is not required. Either party (employer / employee) shall terminate without prejudice.

LAYOFF AND RECALL

The Board of Selectmen may lay off a regular employee because of a material change in duties, or organization, or shortage of work or funds. The Board will endeavor to provide affected employees with at least five working days notice. Employees who are eligible for recall shall be sent a recall notice by certified or registered mail and the employee must notify the Board of Selectmen within three business days after receiving the notice of recall of his/her intention to return to work.

The Town shall be deemed to have fulfilled its obligations by mailing the recall notice by registered mail, return receipt, to the mailing address provided by the employee; it being the obligation and responsibility of the employee to provide the board with his/her latest mailing address. In any event the employee must return to work within two weeks of the date specified; failure to do so without consent of Board will result in termination.

PERFORMANCE EVALUATION AND FITNESS FOR DUTY

The Town of Stratford will continue to evaluate the performance of its employees and their fitness for the performance of their duties. The Board will continue to determine the types and frequency of such evaluations. Such evaluations may include medical examination by a physician and a physical fitness review, in addition to an objective analysis of each employee's competence and skill in carrying out his/her assigned duties over a defined period of time. The employee shall be permitted to permanently affix any written responses he/she chooses to such evaluations and shall receive a copy thereof.

PAY PLAN

The Board of Selectmen shall be responsible for setting the salaries for town employees. A starting salary will be established for each position in town. These salaries will be determined with due consideration to prevailing rates of pay for comparable work, and other public and private employment in the area, as well as the financial status of the Town and other available economic considerations.

Salary adjustments shall be based upon the merit system as approved by the Board. Salary adjustments will be included in the Town's annual budget, which is to be voted upon at Town Meeting.

GERERAL HOURS OF WORK

All employees of the Town of Stratford are considered part-time employees. Actual hours of work vary from job to job. All work schedules are subject to approval by the Board.

BENEFITS

As all employees of the Town of Stratford are considered part-time employees, there are no benefits.

ATTENDANCE

Employees are expected and required to be in attendance, prepared to commence work activities, at designated work locations, days, and assigned hours. Employees are also expected to remain at work for the entire work period excluding rest and meal periods. Late arrival, early departure, and other personal absences are disruptive and should be avoided. Where employees are found to abuse absence time from scheduled work, the Town of Stratford may find it necessary to attempt correction of the situation by disciplinary measures or termination. Any employee on an unauthorized absence for more than three (3) scheduled work days without acceptable notification to the Board of Selectmen, will be deemed to have abandoned the position, and will automatically be terminated.

Non-elected salaried and hourly employees, assigned to job sites where posted hours for public access are in effect, are required to be in attendance during such posted hours. Exceptions are as follows:

- a) The job site is to be covered by a substitute during a planned absence. The assigned employee is responsible for arranging coverage by a substitute who has been pre-approved for the job site. A supervisor's approval is required in advance of any planned absence.
- b) A planned absence for which no coverage can be arranged is to be posted and advertised with the knowledge and consent of the supervisor.
- c) Emergency absence from a job site is defined as the result of an unanticipated occurrence for which no preparation could have been made, and no person other than the assigned employee could have responded. Also included is accident or illness of the employee. The supervisor is to be notified without undue delay. Documentation of the occurrence may be required.

Non-elected salaried and hourly employees in jobs which are task oriented only and are not time specific (i.e., municipal water supply operator or mower operator), are required to be in attendance as necessary for the performance of the job assignment. Exceptions are as follows:

- a) Refer to 1. a) above.

- b) A planned absence may be taken with notification given if the job does not require an on duty substitute during the period of absence.
 - c) Refer to 1. c) above.
3. Noncompliance is subject to disciplinary procedures.

DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE

Disciplinary action will normally be taken in the following order:

- a) verbal warning
- b) written warning
- c) suspension without pay
- d) discharge

However, the above sequence need not be followed if an infraction is sufficiently severe to merit immediate suspension or discharge. Additionally, the Town of Stratford reserves the right to take disciplinary action in a manner consistent with the efficiency of operations and appropriate to infraction involved.

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

The grievance procedure shall be as follows: The employee shall submit the grievance in writing to the Board of Selectmen by the first Selectmen's meeting following the event causing the grievance. The Board will respond within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the grievance. The decision of the Board will be final. If the grievance is against the Board of Selectmen, the grievance must still be brought before the Board. If the employee is not satisfied with Board's decision, they may seek legal counsel (this procedure was developed by DRA input).

LEAVE WITHOUT PAY

Town employees may be granted leave of absence without pay by the Board of Selectmen for a period deemed necessary by the employee for the purpose of leave, but not in excess of six (6) months, and only if determined that the essential functions of the position will not be interrupted by the granting of such leave. The employee shall return to work upon expiration of the granted leave or arrange an extension of the leave prior to its expiration, except no leave including extensions may be granted for a total leave period greater than one year. Failure on the part of the employee to return to work on the expiration of a granted leave without having arranged for an extension may be deemed resignation. When computing length of service for any reason, time spent on a leave of absence shall not be counted. If effect, this action changes the anniversary date of the employee on leave. The position vacated by an employee on leave may be temporarily filled by the Selectmen at the same or lower rate of pay.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE

The Town of Stratford provides Worker's Compensation Insurance in accordance with applicable State Law.

REFERRAL - - FORMER EMPLOYEE

It is the policy of the Town of Stratford that requests for information concerning former employees must be in writing and no information is to be provided orally. Further, the only information to be provided is the initial and final dates of employment and the position held. No other information is to be provided.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF THE TOWN OF
STRATFORD,
NEW HAMPSHIRE

For Fiscal Year Ending
June 30, 1998

**ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF STRATFORD, NH
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1998**

ORGANIZATION/ADMINISTRATION

School Board

Daniel Smith

Rene Routhier
Chairperson

Keith Fellows

Superintendent of Schools

Robert C. Mills Tel. 636-1437
Sandra Call, Secretary
Janet Bennett, Data Processing

Business Manager

Peggy L. Goodale

Principal

Andrew J. Coppinger

Treasurer

Gloria LaCasse

Moderator

Stephen LaFrance

Clerk

Patricia Allin

Auditor

Grzelak and Company, P.C.
Laconia, NH

**SCHOOL WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the School District of
Stratford, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in Stratford Town
Hall in said district on Tuesday, March 9, 1999, at
10:00 o'clock in the forenoon until 7:00 o'clock in
the evening for the reception of your ballots under
the non-partisan ballot system.

1. To choose by non-partisan ballot the following
district officers for the ensuing year: a
moderator, a district clerk, a district treasurer;
and one member of the school board for the
ensuing three years.

Given under our hands at Stratford this 18th day of
February, 1999.

SCHOOL
BOARD

Rene Routhier

Daniel Smith

Keith Fellows

A True Copy of Warrant - Attest:

Rene Routhier

Daniel Smith

Keith Fellows

SCHOOL
BOARD

**SCHOOL WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the School District of
Stratford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Stratford
Public School Gymnasium in said district on Monday,
March 8, 1999, at 7:30 in the evening to act upon
the subjects hereinafter mentioned.

1. To hear reports of agents, auditors,
committees or officers heretofore chosen and
pass any vote relating thereto.
2. To see if the district will vote to accept the
provisions of the Federal and State School
Lunch Program and to appropriate such funds as
may be made available to the district under
said program. Further, to see if the district
will authorize the school board to make
application for such funds and to expend the
same for such purposes.
3. To see if the school district will vote to
create an expendable trust fund under the
provisions of RSA 198:20-c, to be known as
the School Building Maintenance Fund, for the
purpose of repairing and maintaining the
school building. Furthermore, to name the
school board as agents to expend from this
fund, and to raise and appropriate up to
One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00),
and to authorize the use of the June 30, 1999,
fund balance (surplus) to fund this
appropriation. The school board recommends
this appropriation. (Majority vote required).
4. To see what sum of money the district will
vote to raise and appropriate for the support
of schools, for the payment of salaries of
school district officials and agents, and for
the payment of statutory obligations of the
district.

5. To transact any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Stratford this 18th day of February, 1999.

SCHOOL
BOARD

Rene Routhier

Daniel Smith

Keith Fellows

A True Copy of Warrant - Attest:

Rene Routhier

Daniel Smith

Keith Fellows

SCHOOL
BOARD

**STRATFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS
1997-98**

1000 INSTRUCTION

1100 REGULAR PROGRAMS

693,029.79

110 Teachers' Salaries	486,829.22	
111 Aides' Salaries	7,862.14	
113 Salary VT Title I Aide	3,828.00	
114 Summer Enrich./Outdoor	1,706.25	
120 Substitute Teachers	14,104.84	
210 Health Insurance	72,061.80	
211 Cobra Health Insurance	396.16	
213 Life & Disability	5,069.44	
214 Workers' Comp	2,230.00	
222 Teachers' Retirement	14,650.08	
230 FICA	39,483.53	
260 Unemployment Comp.	1,712.00	
270 Tuition Reimbursements	1,430.72	
310 Other Instruction	1,670.00	
NH Music Educators Assoc.	65.00	
Stratford Activities Fund	1,400.00	
NH Music Festival	50.00	
Yige Wang	125.00	
National Geography Bee	30.00	
390 Other Prof/Tech	4,200.00	4,200.00
Leighton, Ruth	4,200.00	
440 Repairs/Maintenance		4,996.51
Porter Office Machines	4,917.56	
Conway Office Products	35.00	
Eastern Musical Supply	43.95	
610 Supplies		18,687.27
Kathy Roth	378.08	
Porter Office Machines	266.00	
Colebrook Office Supply	300.50	
Lakeshore Learning Material	584.83	
School Specialty	1,100.63	
Delta Education	97.62	
Morris Press	263.46	
Re-Print Corporation	923.68	
Colebrook Public Library	12.95	
Reliable	270.78	
Conway Office Products	350.90	
Ames Dept Store #46	46.39	

Andrew Coppinger	35.19
Stratford Activities Fund	746.41
Saddleback Educational	180.33
ASCD	30.65
Miller Educational Material	16.36
Tammy Watson	19.99
Affluence Unlimited Inc.	146.03
DeBanville's Store	117.15
NASSP	94.00
Stratford School	255.42
Long's Electronics	212.45
Carson Dellosa Publications	114.61
Correction	-303.65
Houghton Mifflin Company	304.94
McGraw Hill, Inc.	1,359.29
Sage Publications, Inc.	10.45
University of NH	92.45
NASCO	82.83
Crystal Springs Books	94.11
The Teach & Learn Shop	381.24
Beckley Cardy Company	170.71
Just Interiors	218.66
Learning Links Inc.	221.16
Kathy Patterson	12.55
North Country Educ. Found.	20.00
Simon & Schuster	33.44
Sandra Bergquist	427.24
Trend Enterprises, Inc.	15.97
Customer Service Center	41.54
Derek Patterson	211.17
Remittance Processing Center	33.44
Jackdaw Publications	150.00
Karen Swauger	89.01
Atlas Pen & Pencil Corp.	40.90
Staples	132.51
Sax Arts & Crafts	2,251.29
Fosters Crossroads	9.99
J. Weston Walsh Publications	97.04
NCIA Computer Outlet	801.89
BMI Educational Services	90.60
Gopher Sport	536.87
Sporttime	28.85
Cuisenaire Co. of America	1,144.32
Dale Seymour Publications	10.12

Peter McDonald	125.75	
J. W. Pepper & Son	492.66	
Ted Herbert's Music Mart	59.50	
Eastern Musical Supply	12.90	
Science Kit Inc.	1,617.38	
Teacher's Video Company	137.75	
Harcourt Brace Jovanovich	43.04	
Greenhaven Press, Inc.	172.15	
Russell G. Menard	308.39	
Social Studies School SVC	201.47	
Kendall/Hunt Publishing	81.25	
Nystrom	59.69	
630 Textbooks/Workbooks		7,541.25
Delta Systems, Inc.	78.49	
Miller Educational Material	91.00	
Kathy Roth	83.72	
Social Studies School SVC	178.20	
Modern Learning Press	21.00	
McGraw Hill, Inc.	1,040.49	
Carson Dellosa Publishing	78.49	
Weekly Reader Corp.	51.30	
Educators Publishing SVC	425.52	
Houghton Mifflin Company	801.46	
Long's Electronics	209.15	
Margaret K. McCormack	137.44	
Re-Print Corporation	68.94	
Harcourt Brace Jovanovich	11.63	
Correction	-101.85	
The Math Learning Center	39.50	
Correction Expense	405.50	
Sandra Bergquist	16.90	
Follett Educational SVCS	246.06	
Educational Resources	1,023.00	
Adams Book Company	87.53	
Classroom Reading Service	66.29	
BMI Educational Services	201.00	
Sandra Hoffman	137.20	
NTC/Contemporary Publishing	202.69	
Gessler Publishing Co.	733.81	
Russell G. Menard	407.33	
Kendall/Hunt Publishing	95.24	
NH Historical Society	557.75	
Remittance Processing Center	35.54	
Greenhaven Press, Inc.	110.93	

640 Periodicals		699.38
Scholastic, Inc.	62.79	
Tomorrow Morning	44.00	
McGraw Hill, Inc.	204.47	
EBSCO Curriculum Material	19.90	
Newsweek	368.22	
741 Additional Equipment		2,264.30
J & R Corporate Sales	3,323.54	
Lyndonville Office Equipment	1,645.00	
Refund/Laminator	-300.00	
Refunds	-2,404.24	
742 Replace Equipment		1,471.90
Highsmith Company	86.69	
Boxware Inc.	199.00	
NCIA	352.79	
Software Spectrum	335.48	
Robert Koczur	200.00	
North Country Educ. Found.	61.00	
NCIA Computer Outlet	236.94	
810 Dues/Fees		135.00
<u>1200 SPECIAL EDUCATION</u>		274,263.52
110 Teacher's Salaries		23,630.10
111 Aides' Salaries		18,358.82
210 Health Insurance		14,935.28
213 Life & Disability		249.63
214 Workers' Comp.		300.00
220 Employees' Retirement		984.64
222 Teacher's Retirement		861.83
230 FICA		3,195.08
260 Unemployment Comp.		469.00
390 Other Prof./Tech.		62,380.33
North Country Educ. Found.	32,654.04	
Northumberland School District	11,225.18	
Weeks Hospital Assoc.	8,000.00	
Trilight Foundation	1,400.00	
White Mtn. MH & DS	1,666.67	
Donna Church	9,000.00	
Refund/Grant	-8,036.50	
Doctor Franklin Perkins	6,470.94	
519 Other Transportation		2,928.90
Patricia Eddy	435.25	
Doctor Franklin Perkins	868.65	
Lorraine LaCasse	1,625.00	
561 Tuition/Public		9,832.08

	Northumberland School District	4,883.00	
	Manchester School District	4,180.50	
	WMRSD	768.58	
569 Tuition Private			134,341.10
	Wreath School of NH	13,240.40	
	Manchester School District	4,180.50	
	Vershire Center	16,986.12	
	Doctor Franklin Perkins	65,961.84	
	White Mtn. MH & DS	16,986.12	
	NH State Treasurer	707.76	
	Lake Grove Maple Valley	16,278.36	
580 Expense/Travel			738.25
	Patricia Eddy	738.25	
610 Supplies			271.35
	Holly Guinan	34.64	
	Re-Print Corporation	28.41	
	Colebrook Academy	18.00	
	Crystal Springs Books	15.30	
	Bill Holman	18.00	
	Blazie Engineering Inc.	154.50	
	Patricia Eddy	2.50	
630 Textbooks			683.14
	Steck-Vaughan Company	132.38	
	BMI Educational Services	62.85	
	McGraw Hill, Inc.	65.91	
	National Braille Press, I	105.00	
	GW Micro, Inc.	317.00	
741 Additional Equipment			103.99
	Holly Guinan	34.00	
	NCIA Computer Outlet	69.99	
<u>1300 VOCATIONAL EDUCATIONAL</u>			127,038.91
110 Teacher's Salaries			91,766.57
210 Health Insurance			17,589.60
213 Life & Disability			811.43
214 Workers' Comp.			247.58
222 Teacher's Retirement			2,801.02
230 FICA			7,020.21
260 Unemployment Comp.			200.00
561 Tuition			1,949.76
	Littleton School District	571.43	
	WMRSD	1,378.33	
610 Supplies			2,737.04
	Diane Holman	74.99	
	Reprint Corp.	86.89	

	Sax Arts & Crafts	467.55	
	Kahn & Schreiber Corp.	102.00	
	Stratford Activities Fund	261.58	
	Pitsco, Inc.	510.18	
	Modern School Supplies	427.11	
	Forefront Direct, Inc.	731.95	
	Emerson & Son	18.89	
	Robert Koczur	55.90	
620 Food			1,636.54
	Stratford Activities Fund	300.00	
	Clarkies Market	1,336.54	
630 Textbooks - Home Ec.			279.16
	Sax Arts & Crafts	279.16	
<u>1400 CO-CURRICULAR</u>			24,715.40
121 Salaries			16,799.00
222 Teacher's Retirement			430.87
230 FICA			1,285.15
310 Other Instruction			3,100.00
	Stratford Public School	3,100.00	
513 Transportation			970.71
	Bruce Transportation Grp	479.31	
	Stratford School District	476.90	
	Kent Forty	14.50	
610 Supplies			1,314.67
	Dinn Brothers, Inc.	97.99	
	Masune Company	202.50	
	Kathy Roth	81.73	
	Keith's II Sporting Goods	233.00	
	Dramatists Play Service	233.75	
	NHETG	125.00	
	Baker's Plays	39.00	
	Littletown Trophies	301.70	
810 Dues/Fees			815.00
	NHIAA	690.00	
	NASSP	85.00	
	Baker's Plays	40.00	
<u>2120 GUIDANCE</u>			55,389.60
110 Salaries			29,735.08
115 Secretary's Salary			11,473.39
210 Health Insurance			8,794.80
213 Life & Disability			249.63
214 Workers' Comp.			100.00
220 Employees' Retirement			393.84
222 Teacher's Retirement			779.53

230 FICA		3,152.62	
260 Unemployment Comp.		100.00	
440 Repair/Maintenance		99.00	
Hewlett Packard	99.00		
610 Supplies		110.59	
Reliable	110.59		
630 Textbooks		139.52	
Regent Book Company, Inc.	139.52		
741 Additional Equipment		261.60	
Reliable	162.60		
Hawthorne	99.00		
<u>2130 HEALTH SERVICES</u>			14,430.78
110 Salaries		1,350.00	
222 Teacher's Retirement		215.50	
230 FICA		103.28	
390 Other Prof./Tech.		12,730.00	
Hitchcock Clinic	756.00		
Weeks Hospital Assoc.	20.00		
Northumberland School District	50.00		
Upper Connecticut Valley	11,750.00		
North Stratford Market	50.00		
McLane, Graf, Raulerson	104.00		
640 Periodicals		32.00	
School Health Alert	32.00		
<u>2210 IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION</u>			16,015.81
320 Instructional Improvement		1,645.77	
Refund/School To Career	-1,300.00		
Lisa Guay	100.00		
Sandra Berqguist	100.00		
David Tuttle	100.00		
Sandra Adams	490.20		
Derek Patterson	100.00		
Sylvia Goodrum	100.00		
Kathy Patterson	100.00		
Trace Educational Service	258.00		
SDE	139.00		
Karen Swauger	65.00		
F. P. C. Men's Basketball	75.00		
NHAWLT	70.00		
Lori Lane	100.00		
Lovell Morrison	100.00		
Russ Menard	100.00		
Kent Forty	100.00		
Nashua Marriott	86.40		

	Sandra Hoffman	194.56	
	Diana Holman	100.00	
	Dan Chick	160.00	
	Oyster River High School	135.00	
	Refund/Workshop	-45.00	
	GR. White Mtn. Chapter	35.00	
	North Country Educ. Found.	25.00	
	Refund	-100.00	
	N.E.S.D.E.C.	95.00	
	Stratford Activities Fund	162.61	
390 Other Prof./Tech.			14,370.04
	Sandra Berquist	500.00	
	Kent Forty	500.00	
	Diane Holman	500.00	
	Harlan Connary	139.47	
	Sharon Graham	500.00	
	University of NH	100.00	
	North County Community	8,000.00	
	Crescent Business Service	1,100.00	
	Stratford School District	440.00	
	Trailmaster	2,340.57	
	No. Country Educ. Foundation	250.00	
<u>2220 EDUCATIONAL MEDIA</u>			36,211.04
110 Teacher's Salaries			23,400.00
210 Health Insurance			2,376.96
213 Life & Disability			249.63
214 Workers' Comp.			100.00
222 Teacher's Retirement			646.39
230 FICA			1,790.10
440 Repair/Maintenance			1,246.11
	North Country Educ. Found.	993.29	
	Learning Services	252.82	
450 Rental			1,320.00
	North Country Educ. Found.	1,320.00	
610 Supplies			275.93
	Highsmith Company	196.25	
	Reliable	58.24	
	Rosen Preview Program	21.44	
630 Textbooks			3,290.02
	NH State Library	18.50	
	H. W. Wilson Company	183.00	
	Reading's Fun	154.00	
	Higginson Book Company	109.00	
	American Kids	87.62	

World Almanac Education	74.04	
American Library Preview	471.61	
National Library Service	145.30	
The Penworthy Company	144.02	
Claitor's Law Books	56.00	
Story House Corp.	47.75	
Sport Books Publisher	114.13	
Junior Library Guild	131.75	
Tree Tops Media	455.89	
Supt. Of Documents	128.10	
Penworthy/Media Source	69.18	
Rosen Preview Program	194.92	
Barnes & Noble	99.11	
Hovey's Audio Visual	125.45	
EBSCO Subscription Serv.	363.18	
Highsmith Company	117.47	
640 Periodicals		1,515.90
Information Access Comp.	1,035.00	
Union Leader Corp.	84.00	
Caledonian Record	88.00	
The Boston Globe	162.00	
Northern Forest Forum	15.00	
News & Sentinel	27.00	
Time	59.95	
National Geographic Society	27.00	
Seventeen	17.95	
<u>2310 SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES</u>		17,812.86
110 Salaries		2,110.00
230 FICA		161.42
390 Other Prof./Tech.		10,125.44
Grzelak & Company, P, C.	1,475.00	
Jurist Begley Reporting	369.85	
Gallagher, Callahan & Gar	1,968.50	
Jay C. Boynton	2,272.12	
Mcswiney, Semple, Bowers	2,669.05	
Mclane, Graf, Raulerson	33,102.32	
Nancy E. Peace	385.74	
Refund/Expense	-32,715.36	
Stratford School	270.41	
Liebl Printing Co.	1,142.50	
Cabot Inn	75.00	
Refund	-889.69	
522 Liability Insurance		2,480.00
540 Advertising		660.38

Caledonian Record	38.88	
SAU 58	398.10	
North Country Publisher	23.20	
News & Sentinel	89.60	
White Mtn Publishers	85.60	
The Berlin Reporter	25.00	
810 Dues/Fees		2,275.62
NHSBA	2,249.95	
Berlin City Bank	25.67	
<u>2320 SAU SERVICES</u>		42,071.00
351 SAU Management Services		42,071.00
<u>2400 SCHOOL ADMIN. SERVICES</u>		83,664.05
110 Salaries		45,868.44
115 Secretary's Salary		15,141.00
116 Summer Secretary Salary		1,190.70
210 Health Insurance		8,794.80
213 Life & Disability		250.10
214 Workers' Comp.		593.00
220 Employees' Retirement		673.02
222 Principals' Retirement		1,479.11
230 FICA		4,758.17
532 Postage/Petty Cash		1,787.60
United States Postal Serv.	724.00	
Andrew Coppinger	1,240.00	
Refunds	-176.40	
550 Printing/Binding		915.50
Gig Press	666.50	
M-S Printing	249.00	
580 Expense/Travel		144.50
Stratford Activities Fund	84.00	
Andrew Coppinger	60.50	
610 Supplies		1,508.11
Myron Manufacturing Corp.	234.81	
J.L. Hammett Company	140.45	
Colebrook Office Supply	127.42	
Porter Office Machines	123.00	
Presidential Education	18.00	
Reliable	370.78	
NASSP	22.50	
M-S Printing	123.80	
Colebrook Flower Shoppe	46.50	
Josten's	261.60	
ASCD	39.25	
810 Dues/Fees		560.00

NHASP	460.00	
NCPA	10.00	
Supt. Of Documents	90.00	
<u>2540 OPERATION/MAINTENANCE</u>		137,839.20
110 Salaries	37,654.56	
120 Substitutes' Salaries	1,081.50	
210 Health Insurance	4,753.92	
214 Workers' Comp.	1,436.00	
220 Employees' Retirement	1,718.31	
230 FICA	2,843.96	
431 Maintenance/Disposal	4,006.50	
440 Repairs/Maintenance	11,786.18	
Manchester Wholesale Dist.	75.00	
Town & Country	413.20	
Kipp Alarm Service	1,740.04	
Amerigas Lancaster	22.50	
Inland Divers, Inc.	90.00	
Daniel Hebert, Inc.	2,204.05	
NH State Treasurer	200.00	
Weber Accessibility Systems	627.85	
J. Minichiello & Assoc.	3,250.00	
Scott Lawson Group, LTD	700.00	
Eastern Sprinkler Service	330.00	
Poulin Sales, Inc.	108.85	
Northern Lights Music, Inc.	539.90	
Harlan Connary	1,254.37	
Burns Truck Stop	10.00	
The Honey Wagon	129.97	
Perras Lumber Company	156.95	
Refund/Property Damage	-66.50	
521 Property Insurance	5,833.00	
NHSBIT-PC Group	6,017.00	
Refund	-184.00	
531 Telephones	5,933.66	
Lucent Technologies	1,803.14	
Goulet Communications	51.00	
AT & T	437.38	
Bell Alantic	3,095.28	
Nynex	546.86	
610 Supplies	17,301.32	
Emerson & Son	3,275.09	
Kenco, Inc.	4,281.25	
Hillyard Chemical Co.	2,225.60	
Norab Services	1,639.85	

	Columbia Sand & Gravel	19.20	
	Central Paper Products Co.	1,307.81	
	North Country Flag Co.	197.28	
	Pinpoint	245.55	
	Unifirst Corp.	3,388.75	
	Burns Truck Stop	43.99	
	Allstate Sign & Plaque	162.52	
	Debanville's Store	120.53	
	Perras Lumber Company	196.75	
	F. B. Spaulding Co.	197.15	
652 Electricity			17,906.31
	Public Service Co. of NH	17,756.31	
	Nancy Havrda	75.00	
	Harold Boydston	75.00	
653 Fuel			11,772.00
	Munce's Superior, Inc.	11,772.00	
657 Bottled Gas			954.42
	Amerigas Lancaster	954.42	
742 Replacement of Equipment			5,371.06
	Adirondack Direct	4,955.76	
	K-Log	415.30	
810 Dues/Fees			7,486.50
	Town of Stratford	7,486.50	
<u>2550 TRANSPORTATION SERVICE</u>			56,633.85
110 Salaries			19,596.32
214 Workers' Comp.			550.00
230 FICA			1,499.05
513 Transportation			31,404.60
	Nugent Motor Co.	66.64	
	Bruce Transportation	20,200.00	
	Northumberland School Dist.	5,698.00	
	Normandeau Trucking	102.00	
	Derek Patterson	67.50	
	Lisa Guay	61.00	
	Wayne E. Graham	194.75	
	Sandra Bergquist	297.25	
	Rene P. Burt	4,648.46	
	Sandra Hoffman	15.00	
	Leslie E. Joy	49.00	
	Harold Boydston	5.00	
656 Gasoline/Diesel			3,583.88
	Emerson Country Store	3,754.40	
	Refund/Transportation	-187.03	
	Lisa Guay	16.51	

<u>5100 DEBT SERVICE</u>			64,702.50
830 Principal on Debt.		60,000.00	
State Street Bank & Trust	60,000.00		
842 Interest on Debt		4,702.50	
State Street Bank & Trust	4,702.50		
<u>5240 Food Service</u>			23,003.74
880 Transfer to Food Service		23,003.74	
Stratford School District	23,003.74		

**STRATFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 1998**

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Food Service</u>	<u>Capital Reserve</u>
Cash	\$ 56,461.72			
Interfund Receivables				
Intergovernmental Receivables	2,552.93	5,109.00	10,061.60	
Other Receivables				
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 59,014.65	\$ 5,109.00	\$10,061.60	-0-
 <u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Interfund Payables		511.50	2,817.60	
Other Payables	3,413.95	4,597.50	7,244.00	
Total Liabilities	\$ 3,413.95	\$ 5,109.00	\$10,061.60	-0-
 <u>FUND EQUITY</u>				
Unreserved Fund Balance	\$ 55,600.70			
Total Fund Equity	\$ 55,600.70			-0-
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$ 59,014.65	\$ 5,109.00	\$10,061.60	-0-

STRATFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1998

	<u>General</u>	<u>Special</u>	<u>Food</u>	<u>Capital</u>
		<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Reserve</u>
LOCAL				
Current Appropriation	\$ 612,745.00			
Tuition, LEA within NH				
Tuition, LEA outside NH	331,452.76			
Summer School Tuition	2,400.00			
Driver Education Tuition	2,520.00			
Earnings on Investment	1,080.06			
Food Service				
Other Local Revenue	<u>57,520.15</u>		\$ 24,561.50	
TOTAL LOCAL REVENUE	\$1,007,717.97	<u>-0-</u>	<u>1,478.60</u>	<u>-0-</u>
			\$ 26,040.10	
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES				
Foundation Aid	\$ 569,712.21			
School Building Aid	35,906.22			
Vocational Transportation				
Driver Education	1,200.00			
Kindergarten Aid	11,250.00			
Catastrophic Aid	<u>47,173.95</u>			
TOTAL STATE REVENUE	\$ 665,242.38	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES				
Elem/Secondary (ECIA)-Title 1 & 6		\$ 604.24		
Vocational Education (other)		76,237.13		
Child Nutrition Programs		365.50	\$ 55,454.00	
Elem./Sec. Educ. Programs (misc.)		11,782.00		
Elem./Sec. Educ. Programs (other)				
Medicaid Reimbursement	<u>17,591.21</u>			
TOTAL FEDERAL REVENUE	\$ 17,591.21	\$ 88,988.87	<u>\$ 55,454.00</u>	<u>-0-</u>
OTHER SOURCES				
Transfer from Capital Reserve Fund			<u>23,003.74</u>	
Transfer from General Fund				
TOTAL REVENUE	\$1,690,551.56	\$ 88,988.87	\$104,497.84	<u>-0-</u>

STRATFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL FUND: STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1998

	Salaries	Employee Benefits	Purchased Services	Supplies	Property	Other	Total
Instruction							
Regular Programs	\$514,330.45	\$137,033.73	\$ 10,866.51	\$26,927.90	\$ 3,736.20	\$ 135.00	\$ 693,029.79
Sec. Ed. Prog.	41,988.92	20,995.46	210,220.66	954.49	103.99		274,263.52
Voc'l Ed. Prog.	91,766.57	28,669.84	1,949.76	4,652.74			127,038.91
Other Instr. Prog.	16,799.00	1,716.02	4,070.71	1,314.67		815.00	24,715.40
Support Services							
Pupils							
Guidance	41,208.47	13,570.42	99.00	250.11	261.60		55,389.60
Health	1,350.00	318.78	12,730.00	32.00			14,430.78
Other Pupils			14,120.04				14,120.04
Instructional							
Improvement of Inst.			1,895.77				1,895.77
Educ'l Media	8,190.00	5,163.08	2,566.11	20,291.85			36,211.04
General Admin.							
School Board	2,110.00	161.42	13,265.82			2,275.62	17,812.86
Office of Supt.			42,071.00				42,071.00
School Admin.	62,200.14	16,548.20	2,847.60	1,508.11		560.00	83,664.05
Business							
Operation/Maint.	38,736.06	10,752.19	27,559.34	47,934.05	5,371.06	7,486.50	137,839.20
Pupil Transport.	19,596.32	2,049.05	31,404.60	3,583.88			56,633.85
Debt Service						64,702.50	64,702.50
Transfer to							
Food Service						23,003.74	23,003.74
TOTAL							
GENERAL FUND	\$838,275.93	\$236,978.19	\$375,666.92	\$107,449.80	\$ 9,472.85	\$98,978.36	\$1,666,822.05

To the School Board
Stratford School District
North Stratford, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Stratford School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 1998, as listed in the table of contents. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Stratford School District management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general-purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general-purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the General Fixed Assets Account Group, which should be included to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. The amounts that should be recorded in the General Fixed Assets Account Group are not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the general-purpose financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Stratford School District as of June 30, 1998, and the results of its operations for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The individual and combining fund financial statements and schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements of the Stratford School District. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Grzelak and Company, P.C., CPA's
Laconia, New Hampshire
October 1, 1998

**STRATFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
ESTIMATED REVENUES/ASSESSMENT**

<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>CURRENT 1998-99</u>	<u>ESTIMATED 1999-00</u>
<u>STATE REVENUES</u>		
Foundation Aid	598,947	598,947
Catastrophic Aid	50,838	.00
Building Aid	33,600	.00
Driver Education	1,200	1,200
Kindergarten Aid	6,750	6,000
<u>FEDERAL REVENUES</u>		
Federal Projects	70,000	80,000
Child Nutrition	58,000	58,000
Medicaid Reimbursement	15,000	13,000
<u>LOCAL REVENUES</u>		
Unreserved Fund Balance	55,601	25,000
Interest	1,200	1,200
Tuition	342,500	333,100
Lunch Sales	26,000	28,000
Other Local Sources	8,000	8,000
District Assessment	<u>590,501</u>	<u>657,063</u>
TOTAL REVENUES AND DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	\$1,858,137	\$1,809,510

SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY

Robert C. Mills 1997-98

Northumberland School District's Share	\$37,770.79
Stratford School District's Share	11,737.18
Stark School District's Share	<u>9,325.03</u>
TOTAL	\$58,833.00

BUSINESS MANAGER'S SALARY

Peggy L. Goodale 1997-98

Northumberland School District's Share	\$20,119.64
Stratford School District's Share	6,252.13
Stark School District's Share	<u>4,967.23</u>
TOTAL	\$31,339.00

**STRATFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
COMPARATIVE BUDGETS**

<u>Regular Instruction</u>	<u>1998-99</u>	<u>1999-00</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Salaries	\$494,469.00	\$510,880.00	\$ 16,411.00
Aide Salaries	9,101.00	8,372.00	(729.00)
Title I Aide	3,140.00	3,140.00	.00
Salaries-Substitutes	8,000.00	8,000.00	.00
Health Insurance	83,736.00	70,538.00	(13,198.00)
Life & Disability	4,860.00	5,580.00	720.00
Workman's Comp.	5,107.00	3,408.00	(1,699.00)
FICA	39,863.00	40,729.00	866.00
Teacher's Retirement	14,392.00	15,327.00	935.00
Tuition Reimbursement	1,400.00	1,400.00	.00
Unemployment Comp.	1,550.00	1,995.00	445.00
Other Instruction	1,400.00	1,400.00	.00
Repairs/Maintenance	4,050.00	5,200.00	1,150.00
Rental	912.00	1,200.00	288.00
Supplies	18,368.00	20,253.00	1,885.00
Food	100.00	100.00	.00
Textbooks/Periodicals	11,083.00	10,045.00	(1,038.00)
Replacement Equipment	3,928.00	2,500.00	(1,428.00)
Dues/Fees	400.00	357.00	(43.00)
Other Equipment	101.00	726.00	625.00
Travel	1,330.00	650.00	(680.00)
Driver Education	<u>5,950.00</u>	<u>4,700.00</u>	<u>(1,250.00)</u>
 Total	 \$713,240.00	 \$716,500.00	 \$ 3,260.00

<u>Special Education</u>			
Salaries	\$ 24,160.00	\$ 25,720.00	\$ 1,560.00
Salary-Aides	18,899.00	19,700.00	801.00
Health Insurance	15,804.00	12,189.00	(3,615.00)
Life & Disability	270.00	310.00	40.00
Workman's Comp.	1,415.00	823.00	(592.00)
Employee's Retirement	492.00	535.00	43.00
FICA	3,313.00	3,475.00	162.00
Teacher's Retirement	708.00	772.00	64.00
Unemployment Comp.	375.00	420.00	45.00
Other Professional/Tech.	48,575.00	65,630.00	17,055.00
Other Transportation	5,500.00	.00	(5,500.00)
Tuition/Public	5,200.00	6,000.00	800.00
Tuition/Private	145,500.00	100,000.00	(45,500.00)
Expenses/Travel	600.00	800.00	200.00
Supplies	1,122.00	1,454.00	332.00
Textbooks	1,080.00	918.00	(162.00)
Furniture/Fixtures	656.00	187.00	(469.00)

Additional Equipment	250.00	165.00	(85.00)
Dues/Fees	<u>.00</u>	<u>460.00</u>	<u>460.00</u>
Total	\$273,919.00	\$239,558.00	\$ (34,361.00)

Vocational Education

Salaries	\$ 93,396.00	\$ 93,300.00	\$ (96.00)
Health Insurance	20,520.00	14,782.00	(5,738.00)
Life & Disability	810.00	930.00	120.00
Workman's Comp.	805.00	597.00	(208.00)
FICA	7,203.00	7,138.00	(65.00)
Teacher's Retirement	2,717.00	2,800.00	83.00
Unemployment Comp.	190.00	315.00	125.00
Tuition	2,000.00	2,120.00	120.00
Supplies	2,343.00	3,330.00	987.00
Food	1,800.00	2,000.00	200.00
Textbooks/Periodicals	1,600.00	2,763.00	1,163.00
Repairs/Maintenance	500.00	1,250.00	750.00
Additional Equipment	1,604.00	.00	(1,604.00)
Replacement Equipment	<u>500.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>	<u>.00</u>
Total	\$135,988.00	\$131,825.00	\$ (4,163.00)

Co-Curricular Programs

Salaries	\$ 19,853.00	\$ 19,853.00	\$.00
Workman's Comp.	50.00	50.00	.00
FICA	1,526.00	1,526.00	.00
Retirement	572.00	596.00	24.00
Other Instruction	3,200.00	3,400.00	200.00
Transportation	3,000.00	.00	(3,000.00)
Expenses/Travel	150.00	150.00	.00
Supplies	2,600.00	3,041.00	441.00
Equipment Drama	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Equipment	500.00	.00	(500.00)
Dues/Fees	<u>930.00</u>	<u>1,250.00</u>	<u>320.00</u>
Total	\$ 32,381.00	\$ 30,866.00	\$ (1,515.00)

Guidance

Salary	\$ 29,794.00	\$ 31,621.00	\$ 1,827.00
Secretary's Salary	11,796.00	12,121.00	325.00
Health Insurance	10,260.00	9,595.00	(665.00)
Life & Disability	270.00	310.00	40.00
Worker's Comp.	356.00	280.00	(76.00)
Employee's Retirement	485.00	522.00	37.00
FICA	3,201.00	3,348.00	147.00
Teacher's Retirement	866.00	949.00	83.00
Unemployment Comp.	120.00	150.00	30.00

Repairs/Maintenance	.00	100.00	100.00
Expense/Travel	250.00	250.00	.00
Supplies	418.00	400.00	(18.00)
Books	121.00	86.00	(35.00)
Software	.00	500.00	500.00
Other Equipment	<u>.00</u>	<u>650.00</u>	<u>650.00</u>

Total	\$ 57,937.00	\$ 60,882.00	\$ 2,945.00
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Health Services

Professional/Tech.	\$ 13,641.00	\$ 15,280.00	\$ 1,639.00
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Improvement of Instruction

Improvement of Instruc.	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$.00
Prof. Education Serv.	<u>.00</u>	<u>600.00</u>	<u>600.00</u>

Total	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 600.00
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Educational Media

Salary	\$ 23,930.00	\$ 22,980.00	\$ (950.00)
Health Insurance	2,772.00	2,594.00	(178.00)
Life & Disability	270.00	310.00	40.00
Worker's Comp.	206.00	148.00	(58.00)
FICA	1,851.00	1,759.00	(92.00)
Retirement	698.00	690.00	(8.00)
Unemployment Comp.	60.00	60.00	.00
Repairs/Maintenance	1,670.00	1,670.00	.00
Rental	1,545.00	1,545.00	.00
Supplies	318.00	317.00	(1.00)
Books/Periodicals	<u>4,073.00</u>	<u>4,369.00</u>	<u>296.00</u>

Total	\$ 37,393.00	\$ 36,442.00	\$ (951.00)
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School Board Services

Salaries	\$ 2,310.00	\$ 2,310.00	\$.00
Worker's Comp.	95.00	95.00	.00
FICA	181.00	181.00	.00
Unemployment Comp.	12.00	12.00	.00
Other Prof. Services	10,000.00	10,000.00	.00
Liability Insurance	2,625.00	2,878.00	253.00
Postage/Petty Cash	450.00	450.00	.00
Advertising	800.00	1,000.00	200.00
Dues/Fees	<u>2,370.00</u>	<u>2,467.00</u>	<u>97.00</u>

Total	\$ 18,843.00	\$ 19,393.00	\$ 550.00
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SAU Management Services

SAU Services	\$ 41,942.00	\$ 44,615.00	\$ 2,673.00
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School Administration

Salary	\$ 47,210.00	\$ 47,905.00	\$ 695.00
Secretary's Salary	15,574.00	15,935.00	361.00
Summer Secretary's Salary	1,500.00	1,510.00	10.00
Sub Secretary's Salary	300.00	300.00	.00
Health Insurance	10,260.00	9,595.00	(665.00)
Life & Disability	270.00	310.00	40.00
Worker's Comp.	553.00	421.00	(132.00)
Employee's Retirement	642.00	751.00	109.00
FICA	4,945.00	5,024.00	79.00
Teacher's Retirement	1,360.00	1,438.00	78.00
Unemployment Comp.	180.00	210.00	30.00
Postage/Petty Cash	1,500.00	1,500.00	.00
Printing/Binding	900.00	800.00	(100.00)
Expense/Travel	300.00	300.00	.00
Supplies	1,020.00	1,302.00	282.00
Dues/Fees	500.00	500.00	.00
Total	\$ 87,014.00	\$ 87,801.00	\$ 787.00

Operation & Maintenance

Salaries	\$ 40,480.00	\$ 41,520.00	\$ 1,040.00
Salary-Substitutes	1,140.00	1,380.00	240.00
Health Insurance	5,544.00	5,186.00	(358.00)
Worker's Comp.	2,013.00	1,434.00	(579.00)
Employee's Retirement	1,665.00	1,786.00	121.00
FICA	3,185.00	3,283.00	98.00
Unemployment Comp.	136.00	140.00	4.00
Disposal Services	5,400.00	6,400.00	1,000.00
Repairs/Maintenance	17,500.00	21,500.00	4,000.00
Property Insurance	7,370.00	6,370.00	(1,000.00)
Telephone	5,000.00	7,400.00	2,400.00
Supplies	16,670.00	17,505.00	835.00
Electricity	20,375.00	20,988.00	613.00
Fuel	13,000.00	13,000.00	.00
Bottled Gas	1,200.00	1,200.00	.00
Furniture/Fixtures	5,300.00	6,200.00	900.00
Dues/Fees	8,395.00	8,395.00	.00
Total	\$154,373.00	\$163,687.00	\$ 9,314.00

Transportation

Salaries	\$ 20,958.00	\$ 21,418.00	\$ 460.00
Salaries-Substitutes	350.00	350.00	.00
Worker's Comp.	1,919.00	1,340.00	(579.00)
Employees' Comp.	520.00	567.00	47.00
FICA	1,631.00	1,666.00	35.00
Unemployment Comp.	120.00	120.00	.00
Transportation	31,300.00	35,000.00	3,700.00

Supplies	100.00	100.00	.00
Gasoline/Diesel	4,000.00	4,000.00	.00
Other Transportation	<u>.00</u>	<u>5,500.00</u>	<u>5,500.00</u>
Total	\$ 60,898.00	\$ 70,061.00	\$ 9,163.00
<u>Debt Service</u>			
Principal on Debt	\$ 60,000.00	\$.00	\$ (60,000.00)
Interest on Debt	<u>1,568.00</u>	<u>.00</u>	<u>(1,568.00)</u>
Total	\$ 61,568.00	\$.00	\$ (61,568.00)
<u>Transfer to Federal Projects</u>			
Transfer	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
<u>Transfer to Food Service</u>			
Transfer	<u>\$ 97,000.00</u>	<u>\$110,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 13,000.00</u>
TOTAL BUDGET	\$1,858,137.00	\$1,809,510.00	\$ (48,627.00)

**STRATFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
1998-99**

The big question in New Hampshire this year regarding education is the future of state funding. We hope to see greater financial support for education from the state level, but at this time, the question of how to raise the money is still being debated in the legislature. An equally important question, particularly for the smaller districts, is how that money will be distributed. The Augenblick formula, which has been used to determine foundation aid distribution, included factors such as equalized valuation per pupil and per capita income of the community—factors reflecting a community's ability to pay. It is important for communities like Stratford that these factors continue in any new distribution formula. A distribution based solely on a per pupil basis will not be in the best interest of the small school districts.

Stratford Public School has recently received a Technology Literacy Challenge Fund grant in the amount of \$48,200.00. This will give us the opportunity to upgrade the computer labs and place computers in additional classrooms. It will also provide further computer training for the staff and educational software for the classrooms. Securing this grant is another example of how the school staff has tried to stretch the local dollar by looking to other sources for supplemental funding. The School-to-Work and Community Service Learning programs have brought additional equipment and resources into the school, while providing opportunities for students and staff that we would not have been able to offer without those grants.

Starting with the 1999-2000 budget cycle, the State of New Hampshire is changing many of the current account classifications. Several code numbers will be changing, and in some cases, budgeted items have been assigned to different function codes; i.e., regular education, special education, transportation. Therefore, what may appear to be an increase or a decrease may be the result of a change in the codes. These changes are being made to align the state classifications with the federal system. This is the transition year. Next year, the budget codes should be aligned, making it easier to read and understand the budget.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert C. Mills
Superintendent of Schools

**STRATFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL
PRINCIPAL'S REPORT
1998-99**

Let me begin my annual report by thanking the voters of the Stratford School District and the sending towns of Bloomfield and Brunswick for their continued support of the Stratford Public School. It is our mission to continue to grow as a community school whose students are held to high academic standards and who at the same time are learning to be responsible citizens. We believe that our Mission Statement is more than just words on paper. We continually seek ways to connect our students to the world around them through hands-on and community-based learning opportunities and to better serve the surrounding towns.

One of our most successful programs to connect students to the community and to develop a sense of personal responsibility and commitment is our Community Service Learning program. With the help of a \$10,000.00 grant from the State Department of Education, this program continues to receive state and national recognition and to grow in new ways. Currently, we have six individual service learning efforts underway. Willow saplings continue to grow on a plot of land in Vermont in preparation for transplanting to the banks of the Connecticut River. A three-quarter mile walking trail created by Stratford students, complete with signs and brochure, is open to all visitors to the Nash Stream State Forest. The very successful monthly Senior Meals program is in its seventh year and now includes a monthly performance by students. The new Key Club sees middle school students tutoring elementary students in math and reading. The Buddy program partners multi-age students with high school Child Care students. A monthly, student-published newsletter is mailed to all homes with school-age children. Students are currently investigating the prospects of erecting a greenhouse on school grounds to grow flowers for various projects around town. All of these projects are designed for students to learn curriculum and to apply it to real-life problems.

Another exciting project which will be getting off the ground soon is Project SCOUT (Stratford Community Outreach Utilizing Technology). Through the awarding in January of a \$48,200.00 Technology Literacy Challenge Fund grant, we intend to upgrade our computer lab and Technology Education lab and to open them to the community for courses and for free lab time. We also anticipate having slightly older 486 computers available for loan to interested community members (call the school for more information). This federal funding will continue to allow us to have the most up-to-date computer equipment available and to have every classroom linked to the Internet for educational research

and telecommunication. Next fall we will also be offering the Cisco Academy Networking course to juniors and seniors in partnership with the NH Community Technical College in Berlin.

The School-to-Work effort is connecting students to the community and is better preparing them for a career of their choosing. A major component of the School-to-Work program is the Stratford Portfolio, which all students in grades K-12 now have. This portfolio, along with our work with Berlin Tech, landed us a two-year, \$50,000.00 Benchmark Communities grant (one of only four in the state) to further School-to-Work statewide and to measure School-to-Work's impact on students. One positive impact we are seeing is a clear trend upward in SAT scores. We are also seeing more graduating seniors planning to further their education after high school. Other ways that School-to-Work connects to the community is through job shadowing, workplace site visits, and guest speakers coming to the school. We also have worked out articulation agreements with Berlin Tech that in some cases allow students to earn college credit for courses taken here at Stratford. The workplace of the 21st century is going to require technology-literate, creative, educated, and self-directed workers who can solve problems. We believe we are preparing Stratford students for that workplace.

The challenge of offering a quality public education at an affordable price continues to require creative solutions and a cooperative spirit. We hold no monopoly on right answers. Instead, we invite any and all interested parties to work with us in a most exciting and rewarding endeavor—the creation of a dynamic school which prepares its students for the challenges of a new millennium and at the same time honors the community which supports it through service and respect.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew J. Coppinger
Principal

**STRATFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE
1997-98**

Health office visits:	1941
Parent contacts:	434
School contacts:	4
Medical contacts	2
Interagency:	10

Grades K-8

Total # of visits to Health Office: 1632

Parent contacts	409
Personnel Conferences	2
Medical contacts	2

Screenings:

HT/WT, and B/P	177
Vision/Hearing	177
Scoliosis	88
Preschool	8
Pediculosis	325
Immunizations	31
School Physical	21

Medication Administration:

Short term	1
P.R.N.	674

Grades 9-12

Total # of visits to Health Office: 309

Parent contacts:	25
Personnel Conferences:	2
Resources provided to faculty:	10

Screenings:

HT/Wt and B/P	68
Vision/Hearing	68
Pediculosis	68
Immunizations	6
School Physical	5

Medication Administration:

P.R.N.	26
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**STRATFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
1998-99 TEACHERS**

NAME	SALARY	DEGREE	YEARS OF SERVICE	ASSIGNMENT
S. Adams	\$30,325	M-12	10	Grade 3
S. Bergquist	32,725	B+30-OS	10	Kindergarten
J. Cabaup	21,519	B-0	0	Librarian
S. Graham	28,900	B-12	2	Grades 1-2
L. Guay	23,725	B-3	3	Middle School
J. Henry	22,575	B-1	1	Physical Ed.
S. Hoffmann	33,975	B+15-OS4	12	For. Language
D. Holman	32,350	B-OS2	3	Fam./Cons. Sci.
R. Koczur	28,900	B-12	2	Technology
L. Lane	29,650	M+15-10	7	Guidance
B. McKenzie	27,650	B+15-9	9	Art
R. Menard	24,575	M-2	2	Soc. Studies
	3,000			Asst. Principal
L. Morrison	24,000	M-1	1	Math
A. Patterson	24,675	B+30-3	3	Special Ed.
D. Patterson	22,575	B-1	1	Middle School
K. Patterson	24,875	B-5	5	Grade 4
H. Piche	22,575	B-1	1	English
T. Placey	23,725	B-3	0	Grade 5
L. Robertson	26,875	M-6	1	Computers
K. Roth	31,775	B-OS	14	Grades 1-2
P. Roth	33,500	B-OS4	16	Science
S. Stein	23,725	B-3	0	Music
D. Tuttle	33,975	B+15-OS4	8	Middle School
C. Ward	28,900	B-12	0	Business

STRATFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL
1998-99 ENROLLMENT

	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
High School														
Middle School														
S. Bergquist	9													
S. Graham		16												16
K. Roth			17											17
S. Adams				11										11
K. Patterson					22									22
T. Placey						22								<u>22</u>
														216

At grade 6 and above, school work is departmentalized so that no student's class is identified with any single teacher.

RIGHTS OF PARENTS OR GUARDIANS

As the parent or guardian of a child who may require or who is receiving special education and/or related services, you have the following rights:

*You have the right to have access to and examine all records relating to your child's education.

*You have a right to receive prior written notice whenever the local educational agency proposes to begin or change the special educational referral, evaluation and/or educational placement of your child. You also have a right to give your written consent before initial special education placement and before any individual evaluation of your child.

*You have a right to question any matter, decision, or recommendation relating to your child's referral, evaluation or educational placement.

*You have a right to request an independent educational evaluation obtained by the local educational agency. If your request is accepted, the evaluation will be conducted by a certified or licensed professional examiner who is independent of the local educational agency and will be performed at no cost to you. Should your request be denied, you have a right to appeal this decision as described below.

*If you have any complaints regarding the referral, evaluation or educational placement of your child, you have a right to meet with the school board. If any agreement is unable to be reached, you have the right to an impartial hearing conducted by a state appointed due process hearing officer.

*At this hearing, you have the right to be assisted by person(s) with special knowledge or training, or by an attorney, and the right to present evidence and confront, cross-examine and compel the attendance of witnesses.

*After this hearing, you have the right to a written or electronic verbatim recording of such hearing. You have the right to obtain written findings of fact and decisions of the hearing at no cost.

*If the decision of the impartial hearing at the local level is not acceptable to you, you have the right to appeal this decision to the State Board of Education or Civil Court.

*During any of the hearing or appeal procedures, your child shall remain in the current education program, or if applying for initial admission to the public school, shall be placed in a regular program until all proceedings have been completed, unless you and the school officials agree otherwise.

**Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972
Public Law 92-318**

Subpart A, Section 86.8 of Title IX requires public notification that the Stratford School District does not discriminate in their educational programs, activities or employment practices on the basis of race, language, sex, age or handicapping condition under the provisions of Title IV of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and the Education of All Handicapped Children Act of 1975. The Stratford School District hereby notifies students, parents, employees, and residents that complaints and grievances for noncompliance with any of the provisions of Title IX are to be referred to:

Robert C. Mills
Title IX Hearing Officer
SAU #58
8 Preble Street
Groveton, NH 03582
Tel. 1-603-636-1437

**NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY
SECTION 504 OF THE REHABILITATION
ACT OF 1973**

Applicants for admission and employment, students, parents, employees, sources of referral, and all unions or professional organizations holding collective bargaining or professional agreements with School Administrative Unit No. 58 are hereby notified that the districts of SAU #58 do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, age, or disability in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, their programs and activities.

Any person having inquiries regarding the compliance of School Administrative Unit No. 58 with the regulations of implementing Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act is directed to contact:

Patricia A. Eddy
Section 504 Coordinator
SAU #58
8 Preble Street
Groveton, NH 03582
Tel. 1-603-636-2010

BIRTHS

Registered in the Town of Stratford for the year ending December 31, 1998

DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME OF CHILD	NAME OF FATHER	NAME OF MOTHER
4/10/98	Lancaster	Holly-Ann Barney	David Barney	Christina Hopps
4/13/98	Lancaster	Rhanna Ball	Westley Martinez	Christina Ball
4/17/98	Littleton	Hannah Curley	Patrick Curley	Darlene Cassidy
4/20/98	Colebrook	Megan Allin	Thomas Allin	April Allen
4/28/98	Lancaster	Tempest Gagnon	Billy Gagnon	Amy Shannon
7/ 8/98	Berlin	Tiasa Thornton	Christopher Thornton	Terry O'Leary
7/ 8/ 98	Lancaster	Sarah Whiting	Randall Whiting II	Christina Havrda

MARRIAGES

Registered in the Town of Stratford for the year ending December 31, 1998

DATE OF MARRIAGE	NAME & SURNAME GROOM	RESIDENCE GROOM	NAME & SURNAME BRIDE	RESIDENCE BRIDE
2/14/98	Jack Messina	Stratford	Carylon Bolton	Stratford
6/13/98	Paul Therrien	Stratford	Ronnie Shannon	Stratford
7/18/98	Jason Sweatt	Stratford	Darlene Moulton	Brunswick, Vt.
11/ 7/98	Edwin McKearney	Stratford	Lindsey Marshall	Stratford

DEATHS

Registered in the Town of Stratford for the year ending December 31, 1998

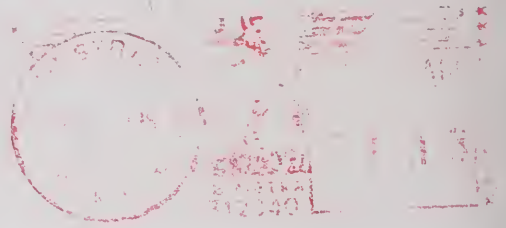
DATE OF DEATH	NAME OF DECEASED	PLACE OF DEATH	NAME OF FATHER	NAME OF MOTHER
1/ 7/98	Shirley Bates	Lancaster	Raymond Ledoux	Bernadette LaCaillade
1/16/98	Bernard Harding	Lebanon	Gerald Harding	Ethel Brown
3/ 4/98	Joseph Portigue	Stratford	Levi Portigue	Flora Baron
4/ 4/98	Margaret Holt	Lancaster	Hal Weaver	Susanna Luckey
4/ 5/98	Everett Ramsey	Hillsboro	Everett Ramsey, Sr.	Roxie Morancy
7/13/98	Hector Cote	Stratford	Frank Cote	Jane Poudier
7/26/98	Maxie Bordeau	West Stewartstown	Jason Bordeau	Mattie Stinson
10/ 8/98	Paul Therrien	Colebrook	Gerard Therrien	Pauline Lessard
10/10/98	Albert Hansen	Lancaster	Albert C. Hansen	Jennie Wilcox
10/15/98	John Villa	White River Junction, Vt.	Albert Villa	Obdulia Cruz
10/22/98	Larry Harding	Stratford	Bernard Harding	Josephine Grant
12/25/98	Sally Reade	Stratford	Harold Pettit	Goldie Swasey

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